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Facing 1993 Elections,

Mitterrand Turns to

Architect of Economy

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service

PARIS - With France gripped by uncer-

tainty since the government party's drubbing in

regional elections last month, President Fran-cois Mitterrand on Thursday finally opted for

eaution over daring and named Finance Minister Pierre Bérégovoy to replace Edith Cresson

Mr. Beregovoy, who is credited with bringing order and prosperity to the economy in the 1980s, oow has the job of rebuilding public

confidence in the government in the hope of saving Mr. Mitterrand's Socialist Party from

being thrown out of office in next year's parba-

The challenge that be faces was spelled out in

regional elections on March 22, when the So-

cialist Party won just 18.3 percent of votes. The

latest opinion poll, to be published Saturday,

also showed that, after 11 years in office, Mr. Mitterrand enjoys the confidence of only 33

Mr. Bérégovoy, 66, a self-taught economist born of a Ukrainian immigrant father, told

Socialist depudes Thursday that he would

launch "new and bold initiatives" to fight un-

employment, oow running at 9.9 percent of the work force. But he added: "I do oot promise a

Mr. Mitterrand came under pressure from

within the Socialist Party to dump the outspo-

ken Mrs. Cresson, 58, soon after she became

France's first woman prime minister on May 15

last year. But even though her approval rating

tumbled steadily, be stood by her until last month's electoral disaster.

Even this week, she reportedly begged Mr.

Mitterrand to give her another chance. And in

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WASHINGTON -Despite the temptation to turn away from the world in a presidential election year amid recession at home, President George Bosh, the Democratic front runner Bill Cliaton and the Senate have shown that the internationalist streak in U.S. policy and

politics remains strong.

After months of uncertainty, events on Wednesday added up to a political decision — not endoused by the voters to date — that the United States must be deeply involved in the evolution of its former Cold War enemy across the seas.

Mr. Bush's part was his backing of a \$24 billion Western aid program, of which the United States will provide about a fifth, for Russia and the other states of the former Soviet Union.

Rissia and the other states of the former soviet Union. Some parts of the plan had been submitted to Congress months ago, without legislative action having been taken, and other parts had been widely amicipated in light of extensive discussions with the European and Japanese allies and economic experts from Moscow. It was increasingly clear, however, that no action was likely to be taken, either on Capitol Hill or internationally, without strong and explicit political advocacy of a new aid program from Mr. Bush. This Mr. Bush suppared to be rejuctant to do in a comparing year. This Mr. Bush appeared to be rejuctant to do in a campaign year when foreign aid was considered political poison, and especially

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while he was being battered from the right by the "America First" campaign of his main Republican challenger, Patrick J. Buchanan. In recent weeks, a series of developments raised the stakes and the need for a political decision. Mr. Bush and the senior members of his administration were increasingly impressed by the sweeping and painful free-market economic efforts of President Boris N. Yeltain.

Mr. Yeltain's government, in discussions with the International Monetary Fund and the Western governments involved, promised to stay the course and pleaded for outside resources to enshion the blow

Politically, Mr. Bush was recently granted an unusual degree of bipartisan support, or political cover, by an unusual list of national figures including former President Richard Nixon; senators led by Sam Nunn, Democrat of Georgia and Richard G. Lugar, Republican of Indiana, and such key House members as Richard A. Gephardt, Democrat of Missouri and David R. Obey, Democrat of Wisconsin. They appealed for presidential leadership and said Mr. Bush would be held accountable by history as well as the electorate for failing to act at a critical moment. .

Though officials said the aid program was well-planned, the amouncement had a distinctly improvised appearance. Mr. Bush, Secretary of State James. A. Baker 3d and Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady were mable to explain how much the plan would cost, and it took most of the day for the Office of Management and Budget to produce provide estimates.

Budget to produce rough estimates.

It could hardly have been complete coincidence that Mr. Bush made his announcement at the White House hist as Mr. Clinton was calling for a similar program, in some respects an identical program, in a foreign policy address in New York. The timing and nature of the Chuton speech, and its criticism of Mr. Bush for inaction, had

been known for major flam, a week.

Political criminan made, the central message of the Canton foreign policy speech could have been drafted at the bush White House. The call for American international leadership and engagement are in the See POLICY, Page 4



Mr. Bérégovoy, France's new prime minister, arriving on Thursday at the Elysée Palace in Paris for a meeting with President François Mitterrand.

# UN Vote Sparks Attacks on Embassies in Libya

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

TRIPOLI, Libya - Protesters threw firebombs and stones Thursday at the embassies of countries that voted to im-pose United Nations sanctions on Libya and delivered flowers to missions of nations that abstained on the measures.

Hundreds of students rampaged through the Venezuelan Embassy, smashing furniture and tossing gasoline bombs that burned at least part of the

Rioters failed to break into the Russian Embassy, but they destroyed cars, threw firebombs and broke windows. Stones also were thrown at the Austrian Embassy, and demonstrators marched outside the embassies of France, Belgium and Hungary. All six nations are Security Council

members that voted for the sanctions. The United States and Britain, which pressed hardest for the sanctions, are represented in Libya by other countries: Washington by Belgium and London by Italy. Demonstrators also marched out-

side the Italian Embassy on Thursday. The Security Council on Thursday condemned the attacks and demanded that the Libyan government put a stop to them. The council issued a harsh statement after an emergency session in New

"This is so transparently and obviously directed to bring pressure on members of the Security Council," said the chief U.S. delegate, Thomas R. Pickering. The United Nations later issued

statement saying Libya had apologized for the embassy attacks. On Tuesday, the council voted, 10 to 0 with five abstentions, to impose civil aviation and arms embargoes against Tripo-li and to order expulsion of Libyan diplomats abroad. The sanctions are an attempt to force the Libyan government, led by Colonel Moammar Gadhafi, to extradite suspects in the bombing of a Pan Am jetliner over Scotland in 1988, and to cooperate in the investigation of the bombing of a French UTA airliner

over Niger in 1989. A total of 441 people

were killed in the bombings.

The measures go into effect April 15 if Libya does oot comply. They do oot include a total economic embargo or a han on oil exports.

Protesters carried bouquets of flowers to the Indian and Moroccan embassies two of the five council members who abstained, a Western diplomat said.

A spokesman for the Austrian Foreign Ministry in Vienna said the Venezuelan Embassy in Tripoli had been destroyed by fire. He said embassy personnel had been evacuated. Zeno Van Dorth, a Dutch diplomat.

told British television from Tripoli that the demonstrations were "fully orchestrated" by the Libyan government.

(Reuters, AFP, AP)

Mr. Bérégovoy has won wide respect for strengthening the French economy. Page 2.

ber resignation letter, part of which was leaked to a French televisioo station, she complained bitterly that she had been unable to choose her cwn cabinet and had been betrayed by other Socialist leaders. The president himself hesitated for several

days before naming Mr. Berégovoy because he hoped to persuade Jacques Delors, the president of the EC Commission, to take the job. Bot Mr. Delors, whose current term in Brussels ends in December, declined the offer. Had Mr. Mitterrand been able to name Mr

Delors, who is France's most popular politician, he would have recovered something of the political initiative. But Mr. Delors, who has ambitions to succeed Mr. Mitterrand in 1995, called the Republicans. Along with sevconcluded that he had everything to lose by returning to Paris oow.

The president reportedly also considered the gamble of naming Jack Lang, the popular cul-ture minister, as prime minister. Bot in the end, be opted for the "safe" fall-back figure of Mr. Beregovoy, who enjoys enormous respect in business and financial circles.

Welcoming his appointment, the Paris Bourse gained 0.72 percent Thursday. Predictably, opposition parties criticized his

appointment, with Philippe de Villiers, a con-

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### Kiosk

### **Jury Finds** Gotti Guilty

John Gotti was convicted Thursday of murder and rackcteering, capping the U.S. govemment's six-year crusade to topple the crime boss.

Mr. Gotti was convicted of five murders, including the 1985 slaying of Paul Castellano for control of the New York Mafia.

The jury deliberated for a day and a half before convicting Mr. Gotti, who faces life in prison. His lawyers said they would appeal (Page 3)

### General News

Jerry Brown wants Jesse Jackson's support, but Jackson is

Yeltsin frees a key minister to concentrate on the improving the economy. Page 5. the economy.

# Four months before the open-

ing of the Olympics Games in July, a new Barcelona is coming into view. Pages 8-9.

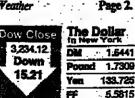
Business/Finance EC leaders struggle to revive a spirit of unity. Page 11. Deutsche Bank wants the head of the European central bank

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# Kohl's Political Skills Face Critical Test in State Elections

### By Marc Fisher gron Post Service

STUTTGART — In the final days. before state elections here on Sunday, voters have watched Chancellor Helmut Kohl lose his defense minister, dispatch top deputies to campaign for limits on foreigners entering Germany, break with Western allies to meet with Presi-dent Kurt Waldheim of Austria and angrily blast Jewish leaders who criticized the meeting.

Mr. Kohl's flurry of activity preced-ing voting in the states of Baden-Württemberg and Schleswig-Holstein has

shaken some of Germany's closest allies, who wonder why the triumphant chancellor of German unity would use campaign rhetoric that closely tracks the slogans of the extreme right.

The reason is simple: Whenever Mr. Kohl senses a softening in the conserva-tive bedrock of his Christian Democratic support, he has shown himself willing to weather virtually any foreign criticism to bolster his domestic base.

Whatever his strengths and weaknesses as an international statesman, Mr. Kohl is, in the end, a consummate electoral politician, and he faces one of the

toughest challenges of his career on

Despite its apparent strength, Mr. Kohl's party actually holds power by a fairly thin margin. Baden-Württemberg, the economic powerhouse in the southwest corner of the country, is the last of the 11 western German states still ruled by the Christian Democrats - an important trend because state premiers make up the higher house of the Bonn legislature.

And although the opposition Social Democrats have so far proven singularly incapable of capitalizing on popular

dismay with the Kohl government, the Christian Democrats nonetheless have reason to worry. Their control of the eral smaller extremist parties, they are support of their coalition partner, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher's Free Democrats, who have switched major party allegiance before and have recently made vague ooises about doing

Thus the specter of the leader of Enrope's largest and most powerful country devoting considerable energy and effort to the defeat of a fringe movement in a single state election.

federal government is contingent on the showing up in opinion polls with as much as 8 percent of the vote here. But the only significant number is 5 percent, the minimum support a party must win to gain entry to the state parliament. The Republicans have reached that hurdle only once, in Berlin in 1989.

Since then, the party has been torn apart by internal strife and marginalized by the cupboria that followed the opening of the Berlin Wall. But now it is

# France and U.S. Vie for Skies

### A Trans-Atlantic Air Traffic War Looms

By Tom Redburn national Herald Tribune

PARIS - A trans-Atlantic air war loomed Thursday as a senior U.S. official warned that Washingtoo may retaliate against Air France if Paris tries to limit flights this summer between France and the United States.

We believe that France does oot have the right unilaterally to re-strict flights," the U.S. official, who declined to he identified, said in a briefing, "If the French take action, it will be very difficult for the United States not to respond."

The threat follows the breakdown of bilateral talks earlier this week in which the French government was insisting that the eight U.S. carriers that fly to France and the United States.

should not be allowed to increase total seating capacity by more than 15 percent over last year's level.

The carriers, contending that trans-Atlantic traffic during 1991 was sharply curtailed due to poblic reaction to the Gulf War, plan to increase the oumber of pa seats available from April through October by more than 40 percent. The dispute is oot likely to cause

any immediate problems for air travelers, industry officials said. But if serious restrictions are imposed, it could force airlines to switch to smaller aircraft, shift some flights away from Paris to other European cities, and make it more difficult for passengers to find discount fares between France

On Wednesday, the French government asked U.S. carriers to submit by Saturday oew, sharply scaled back schedules for the seven-month-long summer season that begins this month. But the airlines said they would go ahead with their current plans.

"If there is no resolution, we will continue to fly our current schedules," said Tim Smith, a spokesman for American Airlines in Dallas. "We are pleased that the U.S. government is protecting our inter-

In the view of French aeronautic officials, the U.S. airlines are being greedy in wanting to increase seat-

See AIRLINES, Page 13

# What's Fuzzy, 30 Acres Big and Lives in Michigan?

By Natalie Angier New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Scientists have discovcred what could be the largest and oldest living organism on earth - an individual mightier than the bine whale, the giant sequoia tree or such past pretenders to size supremacy as the dinosaur.

The organism is a grant fungus, an inter-woven filigree of mushrooms and root-like tentacles spawned by a single fertilized spore 1,500 to 10,000 years ago and now extending for more than 30 acres (12 hectares) in the soil of a lonest near Glystal Falls, Michigan, along the Wisconsin border.

The fungus, called Armillaria bulbosa, is genetically uniform from one end of its expanse to the other, which is why scientists uniform and Nature. say it rightfully deserves to be called a single

They suggest it has been growing possibly since the end of the last loe Age, making it older than any other known organism on earth. If all its mushrooms and tendrils are considered together, the colossal patch of fuzz weighs about 100 tons, about as much as the more compact blue whale.

Myron L. Smith and James B. Anderson of the University of Toronto and Dr. Johann N. Bruhn of Michigan Technological Uni-

CHARGE — Riot policemen in Seoul rushing students who pelted a U.S. military housing compound with firebombs Thursday to protest what they said was the rigging of elections last week. They also demanded the withdrawal of U.S. forces from South Korea.

"This is a fascinating report," said Thomas D. Bruns, a fungal researcher at the University of California at Berkeley.

"When you really begin to appreciate how large this thing is, it's mind-boggling," he said. "People usually think of a mushroom as a little creature, but most of the action of a fungus is underground."

The organism survives by feeding on dead wood and other detritus, spreading outward right beneath the surface as it senses the presence of matricuts ocarby.

probably reached its maximum dimensions; at one, and possibly several, of its borders, the Armillaria is bumping up against com-peting fungi, which are blocking the older giant's further colonization of the forest.

Researchers said the finding would force biologists to rethink their assumptions about what constitutes an individual, a fundamental problem in the study of the natural world and its ecosystems.

Scientists normally view a single organism as something bound by a type of skin, wheth-See MUSHROOM, Page 4

# Iwo Jima: The Grip of Death

By David E. Sanger New York Times Service

IWO JIMA, Japan - The famed battle for this island ended 47 years ago. But it was only three weeks ago, in one of those grisly discoveries that seem commonplace here, that a dwindling corps of 22 survivors and the descendants of Iwo Jima's dead returned. They dug through the thick brush and excavated the entrances of old tunnels to find the remains of 197 more Japa-

According to the neat charts kept at the old airfield -- the prize that the two sides were struggling to control in one of the most violent battles of World War II — that leaves only 12,291

nese soldiers.

Japanese soldiers unaccounted

The search is a 40-year spring ritual that rarely fails to yield gruesome surprises. A few years ago, it was the skeletons of more than 10 bodies found under the concrete of the airstrip, when a part of the runway was under A few weeks ago at the base of

Mount Suribachi - the peak where a photographer for The Associated Press, Joe Rosenthal, took the picture of six Marines planting the American flag searchers uncovered a huge gun emplacement, its barrel still pointing out to sea. Behind it lay the remains of a Japanese soldier trapped when a part of Suribachi was blasted away in the opening days of the monthlong battle.

"You have to know the strength of the emotions about this island from the fact that people in their 70s and 80s doo't besitate to go into the jungle, in tremendous heat, to console the souls of the dead," said Kiyoshi Endo, president of the Iwo Jima Association, a survivors' group, who was ordered to a oearby island seven months before the

"There are many, many more, l am sure," said Isamu Kinoshita, a Japanese officer based on Iwo Jima who helps the associatioo conduct its annual searches. "But the survivors are getting old

battle began.

See IWO. Page 4

John le Carré.

New York Times Service Highgate Cemetery in 1883, more than a would vote Labor this time, in part because century before they buried his doctrines in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

But the British Labor Party seems poised

Minister John Major's Conservative government calls Labor's program, is resurgent today in England while it seems on the way out everywhere else are varied.

tion, unilateral disarmament and high taxes that the Tories bave tried to used to scare of Class" in 1973).

the country into voting against the party. "I just think the Conservative govern-ment have made a hash of things." said in Hampstead, in northwest London.

By Roger Cohen

sonifies the great shift of French

socialism over the last decade

from statist interventionism to

free-market efficiency and mon-

etarist discipline, it is Pierre Ber-

egovoy, who was named prime

A former lathe operator and railroad employee, he has been a lifelong Socialist. Pragmatic hy

nature, Mr. Bérégovoy's initial

enthusiasm for the nationaliza-

tion of industries and expansion-

ary policies that accompanied

President François Mitterrand's

arrival in power in 1981 has long

since given way to stubborn aus-

terity that has made him a sym-

Indeed, as finance minister

over the last four years, he has

earned the admiration of both

the Paris financial establishment

and Washington for accomplisbmg something extraordinary: the

strengthening and opening of the

French economy to the point

where the Bourse has earned in-

ternational respect and the na-

tional accounts look healthier

Increasingly criticized by oth-

er Socialists for looking after big

business while scorning the

growing numbers of unem-

ployed, Mr. Beregovoy, 66, once replied, "There is no point in

looking for growth and employ-

ment if the price is going to be high inflation and a weak curren-

Referring to his humble immi-

grant origins — his Ukrainian father was a miner, his mother

worked in a grocery store - and

perhaps also to his preference for

brisk common sense rather than

grandiose schemes, Mr. Bérégo-

voy has also been wont to tease

his critics by stating bluntly, "I

The results of his pragmatic insistence on halancing the books have been dramatic. Infla-

tion, at 3 percent, is now far

lower than the 4.3 percent in

Germany, and the hudget deficit

is also much smaller than in

Bont - achievements that

would have been unthinkable a

frequently backs the Socialists in

him a blank check," a party spokes-

The Greens party ruled out an

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minister on Thursday.

New York Times Service PARJS — If a single man per-

LONDON - They huried Karl Marx in ing classes." But Miss Hepworth said she of what she saw as Conservative neglect of

the National Health Service. The Hampstead and Highgate district in to rise from the ashes of its Marxist past in recent years has been held by the Conserthe general election on April 9, not only in vatives. After the retirement of Sir Geof-Highgate but also in many other parts of frey Finsberg as member of Parliament for the capital and the country, with a chance the district. Oliver Letwin, 35, a former of winning power for the first time since philosophy don from Cambridge University who worked as a policy planner for The reasons why "socialism," as Prime Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, hopes to hold the district for the Tories this time. But the Conservatives' polltaker, Robert

Waller, says be expects Hampstead and Highgate to fall to the Labor Party candi-One reason, clearly, is that Labor no date - Glenda Jackson, the actress and longer stands for the labor-union domina-tion, unilateral disamnament and high tax"Women in Love" in 1970 and "A Touch

If she wins next Thursday, Miss Jackson said Wednesday, she would never perform again, at least not anywhere but on the Marise Hepworth, an art student who lives floor of the House of Commons. She bas been so much in demand by foreign jour-

Pragmatic French Socialist

Bérégovoy's Austerity Policies Mirrored Party's Shift

decade ago and of which Mr.

Beregovoy bas often spoken with

pride. The franc surged to a nine-

month high against the mark on news of his appointment.

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he says be's going to do and be's

bonest," said Christopber Potts,

the senior economist at the Indo-

suez Bank. This week, Mr. Bêrê-

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Christopher Potts,

govoy predicted that the econo

my would grow at 2 percent this year, 0.3 percent above the Euro-

pean average, and inflation would fall to 2.8 percent. But if Mr. Beregovoy, along with Jacques Delors, president of the EC Commission, bas become

the symbol of the French left's

capacity for responsible econom-

ic management, he has also pro-

voked widespread anger with his

stubbornly ignoring the steady

rise in unemployment, which is

now at 9.9 percent, or almost 3

million people, and for thus fos-

tering the collapse of Socialist

support and rise of the extreme-

right anti-immigrant National

Apparently conceding that

some concessions will have to be

made to what is widely known

bere as the "social deficit," Mr.

Bérégovoy said his first priority

would be the fight against unem-

ployment. With crucial parlia-mentary elections just 11 months

FRANCE: Bérégovoy Is Named to Head New Cabinet

servative deputy, describing it as cies that, at least in part, are minister of education and culture. changing the captain aboard the thought responsible for the govern- Micbel Sapin took over the econo-

Like Mrs. Cresson, Mr. Berego-

voy may find his job complicated by the personal ambitions of differ-

cause be will automatically join the

race to succeed Mr. Mitterrand if

Later Thursday, Mr. Beregovoy

be is able to avert a new bumilia-

tion at the polls next year.

ment's unpopularity.

Many have blamed him for

Indosnez Bank

what he says

The markets like him because

make up what the British call the "chatter- not tell them where she is campaigning because, she says, they would prevent her from meeting voters.

So Wednesday morning, Miss Jackson, a lifelong Labor supporter, dealt with the paparazzi in a 15-minute news conference

at the party's camoaign press center.

Miss Jeckson said she was praud to run for a Labor seat because she was outraged at what more than a decade of Conservative tax-cutting and individualism had done to British community ideals. "I've never seen our children being left

to sleep on the streets before," she said, referring to homeless young people "sleep-ing rough" on the sidewalks because of a housing shortage. In the North London borough of Camden, which includes Hampstead and High-

gate, about 5,000 people, including at least

1,000 children, live in temporary shelters, according to the government.

The narrow village streets of Hampstead and Highgate are lined with expensive boutiques and restaurants. Some of the country's most powerful newspaper editors and

choice but to loosen the govern-

ment's purse strings a little, but

matic change in economic direc-

As the symbol of austere man-

agement, and a source of confi-

dence to financial markets, Mr.

Bérégovov may in fact have more

room for maneuver in spending

to fight unemployment than any-

A stocky, gruff-voiced man deeply attached to his origins in

Normandy, Mr. Beregovov was born on Dec. 23, 1925, in De-

ville-les-Rouen in Normandy. He left school at the age of 15,

armed only with a metalworker's

diploma. After working as a

lathe operator, he sold tickets for

the railway during World War II,

aiding the Resistance hy passing

information on the movement of

Nazi convoys. In 1950, he joined the state-

owned utility. Gaz de France.

and worked his way up to a di-

rector's job. Throughout his career, be was politically engaged,

first in labor unions and then in

various groups linked to the So-

cialist movement. In 1971, when

the modern Socialist Party was

formed by Mr. Mitterrand, he

His negotiating skills and or-dered style caught the eye of Mr.

Mitterrand, and Mr. Beregovoy

was a chief architect of his suc-

cessful presidential campaign in 1981. That year, he became the

president's chief of staff, before

becoming social affairs minister

in 1982 and then serving his first

term as finance minister between

Throughout his political rise under Mr. Mitterrand. Mr. Bêrê-

govoy, who is married to the for-

three children, has also acted as a

mayor of Nevers in central

He likes to measure the vigor

of economic activity by the num-

ber of cars and trucks on the

He also likes to remino his

entourage of the value of thrift.

"Un sou est un sou" ("A penny is

road between Paris and there.

a penny"] is a favorite phrase.

my and finance portfolio.

A surprise appointment was that

of the husiness tycoon Bernard Ta-

Interior Minister Philippe Mar-

chand and Justice Minister Henri

Nallet both left the caoinet. They

were replaced by the former trans-

port minister, Paul Quiies, who took the interior portfolio, and the

former presidential spokesman.

Michel Vauzelle, who becomes jus-

The first gauge of Mr. Berego-voy's power will be whether Mr.

political experts consider this a rec-

seats in parliament.

pe for instability since many small

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tice minister.

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the same orthodox economic poli- Minister Jack Lang's portfolio to

Gilberte Bonnet and has

became a member.

1984 and 1986.

few believe there will be any dra-

National polls indicating a surge in sup-port for the Liberal Democrats, who are expected to come in a distant third in

voters, if the latest polls are reliable.

er his campaign message in writing.

Like Miss Jackson, Mr. Letwin is trying

to meet every registered voter in his district

before the campaign ends, or at least deliv-

Mr. Letwin grew up in the area and is cautiously optimistic. "With a bit of luck

we'll pull it off by a few hundred votes," he

In Hampstead, trendy leftist politics nalists and television crews that she will executives live on the leafy brick lanes, as Hampstead and Highgate, would hurt Miss does David Cornwell, whose pen name is Jackson, he believes.

Until the latest national polls came out, For several years, despite the recession the most often predicted outcome of the bouse prices have averaged £125,000 (\$215,000), double the national figure, and there are still many in the £1 million class. election was a Parliament where no party had the 326-seat majority necessary to form a strong government. The Conserva-The recession is one of the things that have dimmed Conservative chances of tives held 368 seats in the Parliament that is being dissolved for the election. holding onto power. A national campaign

But a negative Conservative campaign in which Mr. Major's team has focused on emphasizing Labor's past excesses and its attacking Labor — for letting unions para-lyze the economy in the 1970s and for plans to increase taxes, to a maximum of 59 percent, on the highest incomes has not embracing unilateral nuclear disarmament in the 1980s - has also not impressed the won the Tories much ground.

Many people say they will support the Liberal Democrats, whose candidate in Hampstead and Highgate is David Wrede.

"I voted Liberal last time, but I think it wasted my vote," said Miss Hepworth.

"Health is what really counts," she said. 'My son tried to go to a dentist in Isling-ton, and they told him they had gone pri-vate and weren't taking National Health Service patients any more. They told him to go try in a poor neighborhood."

# WORLD BRIEFS

Kohl Warns Turkey on Use of Arms

BONN (AP) — Chancellor Helmut Kohl, addressing a special parliamentary session on the Turkish arms scandal, warned Ankara on Thurs-

day to respect human rights.

Mr. Kohl reminded Turkey that it was obliged to respect human rights as a member of NATO and the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and as an associate member of the European Community, He and as an associate manner of Germany were solely for the said that Turkey's arms contracts with Germany were solely for the defense of NATO's strategic southern partner and not for use in resolving internal conflicts, such as Kurdish insurgency

It was revealed last week that German tanks were shipped to Turkey in violation of a government ban last November, prompted by the Turkish government's attacks on Kurds. News reports also said that German weapons were being used by Turkish security forces against Kurdish

### Walesa Hails Polish-German Links

BONN (NYT) — President Lech Walesa of Poland on Thursday concluded a five-day state visit to Germany that showed Polish-German relations to be better than at any time in this century.

At a news conference in Berlin, Mr. Walesa called his trip through

At a news conference in Berlin, Mr. Walesa called his trip through Germany "the greatest and most important visit I have made in my life." German leaders said they were committed to building a special friendship with the nation that the Nazi army attacked to begin World War II. Chancellor Helmut Kohl described his meeting with Mr. Walesa as "especially intensive" and said both leaders were committed to building "as many bridges as possible" to cement their friendship. "A new era m relations between Germany and Poland is beginning," Mr. Kohl asserted. It was the first visit of a Polish head of state to Germany since Poland won independence in 1918.

### Israel and Arabs Set for 5th Round

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The Arab representatives and Israel have agreed to hold a fifth round of peace talks in Washington starting April 27 and have agreed in principle to move future negotiations closer to the Middle East, the State Department said Thursday.

The department spokeswoman, Margaret D. Tutwiler, said all parties to the negotiations — Israel, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and the Palestinians—had submitted informal lists of proposed alternatives sites for the sixth

Among venues suggested by the Arabs for future negotiations were Iceland, Rome, Lisbon, Madrid, Geneva and Lausanne. The Israelis are thought to have proposed Cyprus, Rhodes and European capitals includ-

### Atlantis Shuttle Returns to Florida

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida (Reuters) — The space shuttle Atlantis landed in Florida on Thursday at the end of a nine-day mission expected to give new insight into the problems of the atmosphere.

With the three-time shuttle veteran Charles Bolden at the controls.

Atlantis glided to a touchdown at 6:23 A.M. at the Kennedy Space

A seven-member crew including the first Belgian astronant, Dirk Frimout, flew the mission on behalf of the United States and six other countries. The mission's chief goal was mapping Earth's atmosphere and determining how it is affected by the sun and man-made pollutants.

### **Billy Graham Visits North Korea**

TOKYO (Reuters) - The Reverend Billy Graham conveyed a verbal nessage from President George Bush when he met President Kim Il Sung of North Korea in Pyongyang on Thursday, the official press agency, KCNA, said.

The agency, monitored in Tokyo, did not give details of the message but said that Mr. Kim and Mr. Graham conversed in "a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

Mr. Graham arrived in Pyongyang on Tuesday for a five-day visit, In a statement before leaving, he said that he had discussed the trip with Mr. Bush and Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d. "Their reaction was very positive," Mr. Graham said, adding that he hoped "that in some small way I can make a contribution to more peaceful relations between our two countries."

### Correction

A Travel Update item in the March 16 editions incorrectly stated that Air Tanzania had been suspended by the International Air Traisport Association.

### TRAVEL UPDATE

Japan has offered \$1 million to help preserve the Angkor Wat temple complex in Cambodia, the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural

Organization announced in Paris on Thursday. (AFP)

The U.S. Consulate in Lyon will be closed as of June 1 as part of a shift of resources to Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, the U.S. Embassy said Thursday in Paris. This will leave the United States with consular offices in Paris, Marseille and Bordeaux.

Federal, state and municipal authorities in Rio de Janeiro are trying to reverse a fall in the number of tourists who visit the city and to preserve its position as Brazil's leading visitor center. Security improvements are being made in all main tourist areas, with new police cars, small police

being made in all main tourist areas, with new police cars, small police stations and a greater police presence on the beaches and streets of Copacabana, Ipanema and Leblon.

Walt Disney World has raised the price of its four- and five-day passes to the Lake Buena Vista, Florida, complex by 4 percent over last year's levels. The prices apply to the multiday "passports," which offer unlimited admission to any of the three parks, monorail transportation among them and other transport. The new price for the four-day pass is \$122.50 for those over 9 years, and \$95 for those aged 3 to 9. for those over 9 years, and \$95 for those aged 3 to 9.



By Don Phillips

WASHINGTON - The Federal Aviation Administration has asked airlines, govern-ment and technical agencies worldwide to attend a conference on aircraft icing.

The conference, to be held May 28-29 in the Washington area, is partly in reaction to the March 22 crash of USAir Flight 405 at La Guardia Air-

One of the areas of investia thin coat of ice developed on the wings of the Fokker F-28 4000 between the time it was de-iced at the gate and its take-

over an aircraft's wings, degrading lift. USAir announced Wednesday that it was surveying all

# **Palestinians** Clash With Israelis Over Gaza Deaths

GAZA, Israeli-Occupied Gaza Strip — Violent protests swept the Gaza Strip on Thursday in the af-termath of a clash in which paramilitary border policemen killed four Palestinians and wounded dozens of others in the town of Rafah

Hospitals reported 29 persons wounded by army gamfire in Thursday's unrest. A woman was killed when struck by a military jeep at the Khan Yunis refugee camp.

Youths burned tires and set up roadblocks in several towns and refugee districts, hurling stones at soldiers in running street battles.

At the Jebalya camp, hundreds of young men hurled rocks and metal bars at an army base. Soldiers responded with tear-gas and carefully aimed gunfire, wounding six persons. At the Rafah camp, residents defied a curfew and held a memorial procession for the four dead, Palestinians reported.

After an investigation by senior officers, the army issued its version of events that precipitated Wednesday's clash, the worst in the occupied territories in more than a year,

The army said the incident occurred as the border police chased a car speeding from the scene of a grenade attack on a military look-out post. The car struck at least three pedestrians, and three gaso-line bombs were thrown at the troops. The police fired, killing two

bomb-throwers, the military said. Troops later opened fire again to disperse residents who leaped onto security vehicles and threw a makeshift hand-prenade, the army said. It was unclear if two more residents were killed by the shooting, or had been run down earlier by the getaway car, according to the army. The bodies were immediately taken for burial, precluding antopsies. Since the outbreak of the Pales-

tinian uprising in December 1987, at least 880 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli troops, Palestinian militants have killed at least 450 Arabs, many of them accused of being informers.

# U.S. Plans Meeting on Plane Icing

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the airports it uses to deter-mine if it would be possible to relocate de-icing facilities nearer the runway to reduce the time between de-icing and takeoff. In a letter to Robert J. Aar-

onson, president of the Air Transport Association, the USAir president, Seth Scho-field, urged that all airlines join to move de-icing facilities closer to runways.

"In the past, objections have been raised over the proposed use of joint de-icing fa-cilities," Mr. Schofield said. "However, given limited airport space as well as growing environmental concerns about de-icing fluid runoff, the airlines need to overcome these objections to benefit the flying

Two Israeli soldiers helping each other on Thursday as they finished a march near the Gaza Strip marking the end of training.

# U.S. Clears Israelis On Missile Transfer

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches WASHINGTON — American officials found no evidence during a fact-finding trip to Israel that Israel had supplied a Patriot missile or its technology to China, the

the department spokeswoman. Margaret D. Tutwiler, said. Published reports which appeared last month said American officials had picked up strong indications that the transfers had occurred.

Mrs. Tutwiler said the department planned no further action on

the matter. Our team found no evidence that Israel transferred a Patriot missile or Patriot missile technol-

ogy," she said. "We plan no further action with Israel on this question and consider the matter closed."

Mrs. Tutwiler was not so definite, bowever, about a report issued

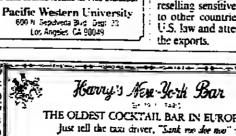
Wednesday by the State Department's inspector general that ac-cused a "major recipient" of U.S. arms and technology — widely be-tieved to be Israel — of persistently weapons to other countries.

pattern of unauthorized transfers,

were separate matters, she said. Mrs. Tutwiler declined to identiinspector general's report, saying she never commented on classified

spector General Sherman M. Funk, it reflected the fact that "there are different views concerning this

U.S. law and attempted to conceal



### The inspector general also re-ported that the State Department's Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs failed to notify Congress or senior department officials although there was "significant" evidence of viola-tions. Mr. Funk said the practice began in about 1983 and was curbed only after his investigation State Department said Thursday. "We consider the matter closed." Mr. Funk said the U.S. government bad received at least seven

"summary reports" on Israel's global arms trade that should have triggered notices to Congress of possible violation of U.S. law. Mr. Funk said the reports were based on "reliable" intelligence. Mr. Funk said he recommended

disciplinary action against "the re-sponsible official," assistant secretary for politico-military affairs, Richard A. Clarke. Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eaglehurger rejected the recommendation, however. Officials have said previously that Mr. Clarke is being transferred out of his post.

was no system in place to share fy the country referred to in the reliable intelligence with him on possible violations. But Mr. Funk responded that the "relevant intelligence information" was provided She said the report "speaks for "on a daily basis" to the top offiitself" and stressed that by including comments from senior State
and that Mr. Clarke was the only Department officials as well as In- official cleared to receive some categories of information

Mr. Clarke said that the Bush administration "inherited a situation of gross nonfeasance" and that be had tried to clean it up but was thwarted by budget limitations. Senior American officials famil-

iar with Israeli-U.S. cooperation said that the intelligence agencies have for many years been reporting on re-export of U.S. technology but were frustrated by a lack of attention from policymakers, who were anxious not lo disrupt relations with a key ally, particularly during the Reagan years.

Mr. Funk said Israel tried to conceal the resale of sensitive U.S. technology. He called for efforts to try to recoup money from Israel, but Mr. Eagleburger rejected this as impossible. (AP, Reuters, WP) The Weather

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Mitterrand steps back and allows him to run the government not least because the president's own Mr. Clarke, in a memo published along with the report, vigorously disputed the charges that he failed to take action on violations by Israin France performance over the past two years, above all in foreign affairs, has contributed to public disen-chantment with the Socialist Party. and illegally re-exporting such A 17-member American team. el. Mr. Clarke said many of the port in New York. intelligence reports of violations by which investigated specifically the In two crucial areas, Mr. Mitterpresent and will still have the last word. Patriot missile allegation, and the Israel were "specious on their face gation in that crash is whether inspector general's report, which found a "systematic and growing He may try to block a conservative and other reports were investigated without any smoking guns ever A Seminar on victory next year by introducing an electoral system of proportional representation, even though many being shown to us."
Mr. Clarke also claimed there

> parties, including the extreme rightist National Front, would win UNIVERSITY DEGREE BACHELORS - MASTERS - DOCTORATE For Work, Life and Academ

The inspector general charged that Israel bad engaged in a "sysrematic and growing pattern" of reselling sensitive U.S. technology to other countries in violation of

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"My vision is that every man and woman in our country, every boy and girl, will be able to live to the fullest of their God-given abilities, that we would revel in the ethnic and racial diversity of our country instead of letting it be a source of pain and division. And that we will be able to compete and win in a tough, but peaceful global economy, a world in which we will lead but also cooperate. . . We sacrificed fairness in the 80s. We violated all of our values. We forgot to reward work and family. And instead we rewarded wealth and greed.... I advocate a new economic policy for the '90s that quite simply puts our people first. We tried putting money first for 12 years... The stock market tripled in the 80s. But wages declined, unemployment increased and we lost our competitive edge. ... The really successful countries don't treat people like disposable napkins. They treat people as our most important resource. We need a plan to convert from a defense to a domestic economy.... I was raised in a small town in the South. I saw what happened when people were divided by race. It kept my state and my region dumb and poor. If you vote for me, we're going to go up or down together. I'm sick of the politics of 'them,' blaming 'them' for the problems. It's 'them, the Democrats," or 'them, the Congress," or 'them, the president," or 'them, the liberals," or 'them, the conservatives.' In America there is no 'them.' There's only us, and when we've been together as a country, we've been unstoppa-

On the Issues Economy: He stresses improvements in "human" capital, such as education and training. Wants 10 percent cut in income tax rates for poor and middle class. His proposals: Raise top tax rate to 38.5 percent, from 31 percent, for couples earning more than \$150,000. Shift the \$2,150 per child exemption from taxable revenue to an \$800 per child tax credit. Impose a 1 percent payroll tax to pay for national worker training program. Use investment tax credits primarily for small and mid-sized businesses. Create small-business development banks in rural areas and inner cities. Limit deductibility of executive pay. Fund Supercollider. Accelerate spending of federal highway funds. Assist first-time home buyers. End some business deductions for investments overseas.

**CIA Chief Rejects** 

By Elaine Sciolino

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The direc-

tor of Central Intelligence, Robert M. Gates, has rejected initiatives

by both intelligence committees in Congress to legislate a wholesale

reorganization of the U.S. spy sys-

Unveiling the Bush administra-tion's modest plan to proported the CIA and its sister intelligence

agencies, Mr. Gates told a joint hearing of the Senate and House

Intelligence Committees, "Our

changes should be evolutionary,

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He added that based on the rec-

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pess for new authority to shift noney among intelligence priori-ies, he said, "the administration relieves legislation is unnecessary.

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Mr. Gates also told the legisla-MS to resist the impulse to slash

ne intelligence budget, which is

'As our military capability

irinks, we had best be cautions bout too quickly weakening our arry warning capability — our in-aligence capability," Mr. Gates

The chairmen of the two panels,

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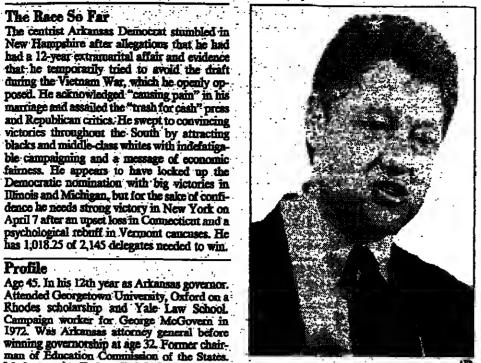
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Military and Foreign Affairs: He would bring Germany and Japan into the UN Security Council; cut troops in Europe to fewer than 150,000; cut military budget about \$100 billion over five years; cut B-2 bomber and cut 2 of 12 aircraft carrier groups. He favors fast sealift and new C-17 transport plane, and a phased nuclear test ban. He opposes a strategic missile shield but favors better tactical missile defense. He favors broad aid to the former Soviet Union if nuclear weapons are placed under centralized control. He would create a Democracy Corps of volunteers to countries that need legal, political and financial expertise. He counsels against pressuring Israel in a way that raises Arab expectations of Israeli concessions. He favored authorizing military strike against

Education and Social Policy: He advocates national tests to measure student progress and annual report cards measuring quality at every school. He would guarantee college loans to anyone, with repayment through payroll deductions during working years or two years' work in a National Service Corps of teachers, police, health workers. He would provide child care and health benefits to welfare recipients so they could go to school or a job, and he would require them to work. High school dropouts would lose their drivers' licenses. He would put first-time drug offenders in a 90-day "boot camp" rehabilitation program instead of pris-on. He favors the right to abortion but believes that minors should obtain consent from parents, clergy or judge. He favors a waiting period to buy handgons. He preaches racial harmony. to blacks and whites and has many blacks in his administration. He supports the death penalty and approved three executions as governor. He favors "play or pay" health plan under which employers would have to insure all employees or pay an additional tax into a public fund to medical cost goals. He would create national apprenticeship program.

Energy and Environment: He favors global warming pact; tax credits to encourage recycling and energy conversion; "some" wetlands protection. He opooses oil drilling in Arctic refuge. He is critical of gasoline taxes but he used them in Arkansas to pay for education improvements. He would increase use of natu-Compiled by Paul F. Horvitz

> Congress Gets **Failing Grade** New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Most Americans are so scornful of Congress that they have al-ready concluded that repre-sentatives broke the law when they overdrew their accounts at the House bank.

And half the public says mistakenly - that taxpayers' money was used to make those checks good, according to the latest New York Times/CBS News Poll

A total of 75 percent of those surveyed said they disapproved of how Congress was handling its job, the high-est level ever recorded in this poll, while only 17 percent said they approved. Gotti Found Guilty on 5 Counts Of Murder

NEW YORK - The Mafia boss John Gotti was convicted Thursday of murder and racketeering in a trial that ends his six-year reign as head of a leading U.S. crime fam-

The jury of seven men and five women deliberated for a day and a half before convicting Mr. Gotti on five counts of murder, including that of Paul Castellano, his predecessor as head of New York's largest crime family. Mr. Castellano was killed by Mr. Gotti's gunmen in a dramatic 1985 shooting outside a Manhattan steakhouse.

Mr. Gotti now faces life in prison without parole. Judge I. Leo Glasser of U.S. District Court set sentencing for June 23.

Mr. Gotti's co-defendant, Frank Locascio, was convicted on all counts except one charge of operat-ing a gambling ring in Connecticut. He also faces life in prison.

Just before the jury forewoman read the verdict, Mr. Gotti was smiling confidently. He showed no reaction as she began announcing, "Guilty."

At one point, Mr. Gotti motioned to his lawyer to remain cool

despite the result. His attorney, Albert Krieger, sat dejectedly at the defense table as the word "guilty" echoed through the work with

"I anticipated the jury would spend more time evaluating some of the issues," Mr. Krieger said. Asked how Mr. Gotti handled the verdict, Mr. Krieger replied, "He is a realist, a person of enor-

mous mental and emotional The verdict will be appealed, he

It was the fourth time that the 118 government had tried to our vict Mr. Gotti, 51. The other three trials ended in acquittals. The government said it had evidence of jury tampering in one case.

In this trial, the evidence against Mr. Gotti came from two principal sources: tapes of him speaking in his inner sanctum of one murder after another; and the testimony of his right-hand man, Salvatore Gravano, who violated a Mafia code of silence to testify against his former

Sometime in 1989, FBI investigators broke into the Ravenite Social Club in New York's Little Italy and planted three listening devices, including one in an apartment where Mr. Gotti, Mr. Gravano and others spoke freely about their underworld empire and the violence they used to control it.

The prosecutor, John Gleeson, said in his closing argument that murder was "the heart and soul" of Mr. Gotti's mob. Mr. Oravano's nine days of testi-

mony gave an insider's look at the top echelons of a criminal organi-

His most damaging testimony was on the assassination of Mr. Castellano, the former Gambino boss and Mr. Gotti's predecessor, on Dec. 16, 1985.

And at the urging of U.S. Attor-ney Andrew Maloney's office, the judge also ordered that jurors in this case be both anonymous and sequestered, which is highly unusu-

Mr. Glasser made his decision based on prosecutors' charges that Mr. Gotti and his representatives had allegedly bribed jurors in pre-vious Gambino family trials. An anonymous juror was allegedly paid \$60,000 in Mr. Gotti's 1987 racketeering case.

Mr. Gotti previously had been tried three times since 1986 and had won every time. In 1986, charges of beating a man in a traffic dispute were dropped after the victim said he could not identify Mr. Gotti.

In 1987, Mr. Gotti and six codefendants were acquitted in a federal rack to the case.

Le 1990, Mr. Cotti and Anthony

Guerrieri were acquitted of com-missioning the Westies, a Hell's Kitchen gang, to shoot a union offi-cial, John F. O'Connor. The official survived the shooting.

(Reuters, AP, AFP)



The Reverend Jesse Jackson, left, and Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr. delivering registration cards of new voters in New York City.

# **Brown Encounters Flak** Over Choice of Jackson

NEW YORK - Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr., carrying his cam-paign for the Democratic presiden-tial nomination to a Jewish organi-Thursday because of his talk of choosing the Reverend Jesse Jackson as a running mate.

"You insult the Jewish community by picking Jesse Jackson," said Dov Hikind, a state legislator, interrupting Mr. Brown's remarks before the Jewish Community Relations Council.

"Don't sit quietly and listen to this!" Mr. Hikind yelled to about Low people arrenting the meeting. Two members of the group escort-

ed him to the door. Mr. Jackson, in his 1984 presidential bid, offended some Jews with comments they considered anti-Semitic and anti-Israel. But Mr. Brown says Mr. Jackson's civil rights experience qualifies him for the vice presidential spot and having him on the ticket would heal racial divisions within the nation.

Reacting to the tumultuous heckling over his choice of Mr. Jackson, Mr. Brown told the group that he "could have predicted the exact response." "I acknowledge and know your

feelings," Mr. Brown said. Brown's problems among Jewish cratic ticket.

voters, who account for 30 percent of the Democratic primary vote in New York State.

Mr. Brown, a former governor of California also drew criticism for comments he made at a rally earlier this week concerning the fund raising efforts of his rival, Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas. Mr. Brown had said his campaign would "drive money-lenders from the temple."

One member of the organization likened Mr. Brown's comment to "classic anti-Semitism."

"I got the sense of what you just wald," Mr. brown replied, "I want to disassociate myself."

Mr. Brown pitched Mr. Jackson as his running mate in an appearance in Manhattan on Wednesday. "Reverend Jackson has made himself available," he said, "and we're going to make him available as the next vice president."

But Mr. Jackson said he was fol-

lowing his own agenda.
"My agenda has been very clear," Mr. Jackson said, "Make myself available to all the candidates and work hard to get out the vote. Any talk of my having any role beyond this certainly makes my mother feel very good."

Mr. Jackson said he would con-

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Iraci military targets that were less than a day old. A CIA study group strongly recommended creating a new agency and wanted to model it on the National Security Agency, which is responsible for eavesdropping around the world. In his testimony, Mr. Gates admitted that "one of the most difficult areas for us to address was that of imagery," adding that there were "a lot of bureaucratic difficulties trying to wire that thing together given the existence of a lot of other LANVIN

General Colin Powell, the chair-man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was adamantly opposed, because the Defense Mapping Agency, which makes maps and now reports to him, would become part of the new agency, administration offi-cials said. The new agency would not report to General Powell, the

The most obvious shortcoming

of the administration plan, they said, was its failure to create a new

national imagery agency that would streamline the collection

and communication of satellite im-

Last June, General H. Norman

Schwarzkopi complained to Congress about the 14 Ty and timeli-test of the factorizate given his forces during the Gulf War, noting,

as one example, that field com-manders were unable to get recon-

naissance photographs of potential

Defense Secretary Dick Chency also expressed serious reservations about any such reorganization, and officials within the CIA were conterned about losing control over the National Photographic Inter-pretation Center, which analyzes high-technology satellite photographs, these administration offi-

ills, expressed disappointment at the administration did not go irther in its own efforts to stream-This is the one recommendaac and reduce the size of its inteltion that steps on the most toes," as gence apparatus. Mr. Boren asked Mr. Gates to well as involves the most money, and therefore, you're going to keep an open mind" on the possihave the most opposition to it, ility of codifying some of the ructural changes in law.

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## GERMANS: Kohl's Policies and Political Skills Face a Major Challenge in State Election POLICY:

(Continued from page 1) mounting its most vigorous challenge in three years, and Mr. Kohl

is taking it seriously. A poll by the Allensbach Institute shows there is method to Kohl policies that may seem strange to outside observers. Asked if they intend to vote for the Republicans, only about 5 percent of Baden-

Württemberg voters say yes.
But 33 percent agree with this statement: "I'm not for the Republicans, but I'd find it quite good if the rightists do well in Sunday's election. That will teach the major the foreigner problem." Fifty-five percent of those surveyed disagreed with that statement.

steadily increasing number of refuseeker can come here and instantly gees who arrive in Germany and have the right to stay in Germany! ask for political asylum.

tution, foreigners may stay here ers, but with those who refuse to while their asylum requests are re- change the constitution." viewed, a process that can take Mr. Schäuhle was talking about years. Now, even though all parties the Social Democrats. who have have agreed to accelerate the re- continued to defend the country's view process to a matter of weeks, asylum guarantee as a proud piece Mr. Kohl's party is clamoring for a of Germany's postwar commitconstitutional amendment to re- ment to opposing oppression wherstrict the right of asylum.

"When an ethnic German in Roparties a lesson and let them know application is processed," Wolf-neighbors," the Social Democratic they have to do something to solve gang Schäuble, the Christian Dem chairman, Björn Engholm, told a The "foreigner problem" is a man! But a Romanian asylum push the asylum question from the

The blame for our foreigner prob-Under Germany's liberal consti- lem lies not with the asylum-seek-

ever it occurs.

"We do not want to treat the mania or Poland wants to come foreigners who live among us in here, he must stay home while his any way differently from our ocratic parliamentary leader, told a cheering crowd in the Stuttgart campaign rally in the town of market square. "Who does it really Bruchsal this week. "That's a Ger- serve when the CDU campaigners

head to the gut? It is grist for the mill of the radical rightists!"

The Republican party platform calls for separate school classes for foreign children, a crackdown on Islamic community centers, and a rejection of "the multicultural society that has made the United States the world's largest showplace of crime and latent racial conflict."

Mr. Kohl's party is trying to weave a middle course between the cratic approach and the seething anger of the Republicans. Opinion surveys show that nei-

ther Mr. Kohl's emphasis on asylum nor his meeting with Mr. der, the Social Democrats are ex-Waldheim have improved the party's chances here. The Christian Democratic Union has ruled Ba-den-Württemberg for 20 years and and shows httle weakness.

majority; whether they will be able to construct a coalition that keeps them in power depends on just how poorly they do Sunday, and on how well the Republicans do.

The Social Democratic message - a call for more aid to Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, a liberalized abortion law and more emphasis on the environment has had little resonance here, which foreigner-friendly Social Demo- means that smaller parties on the ballot may hold the balance of power Sunday.

At the other end of Germany, in the far north near the Danish borpected to hold control. Mr. Engholm, the national party leader, is

# seem destined to lose their absolute majority; whether they will be able U.S. Holds Firm

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policy mainstream espoused by American presidents throughout the post-World War II era. Mr. Clinton, like Mr. Bush, gave special emphasis to the need to support the former adversary in its hoped-for transition to democracy and market economics.

"Perhaps once in a generation history presents us with a monumental moment," Mr. Clinton said, adding that failure to aid the former Soviet Union would be "deeply irresponsible."

Mr. Bush, in nearly the same words, called the revolution emanating from Moscow "a defining moment in history, with profound consequences for America's own national interest" and argued that "our failure to act will carry a far higher price."
Several hours after Mr. Bush and

Mr. Clinton spoke, the Senate passed, by a lopsided vote of 84 to 16, a continuing resolution extend-ing the U.S. foreign aid program for six months, including new flexihility for the administration to reallocate funds to Russia and associated states, and \$270 million in funds for United Nations peace-

keeping forces.
In appeals to both sides of the national sentiment, Mr. Bush por-trayed the new aid program as comprehensive, coherent, highly significant — and also relatively cheap, with little "new money" involved. Similarly, some of the backing for the foreign aid bill in Con-gress was obtained by emphasizing that its cost was slightly less than in the past.

A central question now is whether the administration will furnish sustained and strong support on Capitol Hill for its aid program.

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government service in 1987 because of ill health, after serving only four months as lord chancellor, the highest legal office in England and Wales. As such, be also presided over the House of Lords.

He served as attorney general for eight years, after being named to the post in 1979 hy the new prime in June after the Court of Appeal minister, Margaret Thatcher. He was the longest-serving attorney general in 230 years. Mrs. Thatcher subsequently appointed him as

Earlier this year, he had been dant's skin were unreliable.

three men and a woman released in October 1989 after spending 15 years in prison on a false conviction of bombing a pub that killed five people in Guildford.

He was similarly criticized for his role in the case of the so-called said they had been wrongly con-victed of operating an IRA bomb

The court said scientific tests for traces of explosives on the defen.

### MUSHROOM: Fuzzy Mammoth

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er of animal flesh or plant cellulose. But fungi, along with other organ-isms like coral, grow as a network of cells and thread-like elements whose boundaries are not always

What is more, the newly discovered Armillaria has many breaks in its underground webbing, and some of its elements grow indepen-

dently, thus straining the idea that the entire fungal patch can truly be considered an individual.

the mold merited its ranking as a one giant creature. The scientists came upon the

mega-fungus in 1988.
Walking over a couple of acres of forest on the Michigan-Wisconsin border, they collected samples of Armillaria mushrooms, familiarly known as button or honey mushrooms, together with the underly. ing shoestring-like structures called rhizomorphs, which gather nourishment for the fungus. They exam-

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now, and the work is too hard. This may be the last year that anyone really looks for

Although no one in Tokyo can say so publicly, the government seems eager for such vivid reminders of the past to come quietly to a close. Tokyo is already quietly setting the theme for the anniversaries of the battles that went hadly for Japan - it is important to remember the dead, hut more important to celebrate the alliance that

emerged from the war. But even when the anniversary passes, it will leave the question that Japan has ducked since the United States returned Iwo Jima to Japanese hands 24 years ago: What do you do with a territory synonymous with death

Since the war's end, the answer has been to seal it off from the rest of Japan. By one of the odd administrative quirks that no one here can explain, it is part of Tokyo. although it is 1.060 kilometers (660 miles) to seize.

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ghosis of its one month in history, that sense is, lately, particularly acute at night.

Black-sand beaches that once were a deadly trap for the invasion forces stretch for

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But it does give the Russian pres-dent, Boris N. Yeltsin, something Wikhail S. Gorbachev never rereived: a major vote of confidence

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flames, to prefer with the This aid gives Yeltsin's eco-le nomic program a lot of respectabil-tity, said Marshall Goldman, asso-ciate director of the Russian Studies Center at Harvard Univer-

the state of the s REAL Es the ruble, \$2.5 billion in debt re-TO RENT scheduling, \$4.5 billion in aid from the International Monetary Fund BI to and other international organizations, and about \$11 billion in direct help from Washington and the other industrialized democracies that will include food, medicine, export credits and other aid.

Mr. Bush said the United States would provide about one-fifth of the package.

by by Mr. Bush and Mr. Kohl, who is make a supplied in the Group of Seven industrial democracies this year; was in sharp contrast to the lukewarm embrace that G-7 leaders MADED MAKE nomic summit meeting in London

last July. Mr. Gorbachev implored the leaders for extensive aid, but they turned him down, saying his re-forms were half-hearted.

Many analysts said the West's failure to give Mr. Gorbachev ballions in aid that he could proudly take back to Moscow was an in-portant factor behind his downfail.

Experts on Russia also say that if CONTRACT Economic conditions turn disastrous in the republic and if there is a coup that puts a hostile dictator in power, the aid package will enable Mr. Bush and other leaders to say that they did their best to insure the republic's transition to a free-market democracy.

"I think Bush is trying to get out of the whole question of who lost

Russia," said Judy Shelton, a se-

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mor research fellow at the Hoover Institution. "He'll say, 'Look how much money we're providing."

In the view of American officials and many economists, the package should go far to steady one of the key factors causing Russia's economy to teeter - a currency that has

The multilateral fund being planned to stabilize the ruble not only aims to make it easier for the sizos to do day-to-day business, but also is intended to create a solid currency that will help restore faith in the republic's economy.

American officials say a stabilization fund could begin as soon as

If the fund restores confidence in If the fund restores confidence in the ruble, the currency could ob-tain a limited convertibility later this year. The big hope is that Rus-sian exporters will have the confi-dence to bring their hard-earned profits back to Russia rather than stash them abroad.

But some economists say the economy is in such a shambles that a stabilization fund may not work and that the currency will not become convertible for at least a year

Although Mr. Yeltsin has many supporters, many other Russians are seething about his program. It has allowed prices to soar; pensioners complain that they cannot afford basic foods, and widespread layoffs have begun as tight credit squeezes many businesses.

Although they admit an IMF program will cause pain, American officials say they hope it will revive Russia's economy by slashing bud-get deficits and helping control in-flation.

Once it becomes an IMF member and receives loans, Rossia must agree to meet certain stringent con-ditions to cut its deficit and money supply growth.

In this way, Russia will be inte-grating itself into the world economy while also ceding some eco-nomic sovereignty to the West.

Although the package is intend-ed primarily for Russia, some economists say the other republics are in more desperate need of aid. In their view, Russia might earn lots of hard currency once it raises energy prices to world levels.

Raising prices would enable Russia to export far more oil, helping to fill its depleted hard-curren-

But most of the other republics import energy from Rossian and could face bitter times if oil prices sour to world levels. "We may have a situation where

the Ukraine, the Baltic republics, the Central Asian republics are in a worse condition because they will be starved of funds," said Jan Vanous, director of Pianecon, a Washington-based consulting group.

They don't have as many goods as Russia to export."

Experts on the Commonwealth of Independent States say they



A Russian woman at a flourishing street market in central Moscow on Thursday.

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forget the other republics just be-

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The \$24 billion package should shore up Mr. Yeltsin's position.

The package, along with the IMF's

amouncement Tuesday, that it backed Mr. Yeltsin's reforms, were certainly designed to strengthen his hand, many experts say.

litically," said Padma Desai, an ex-

pert on the Soviet economy at Co-himbia University. "Yeltam needs a political shot in the arm to sup-port his fast-paced program."

Mr. Goldman said the aid was a good first start. Noting that tiny Eastern Germany had received more than \$100 billion in aid from

Bonn, he said it would take hun-

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can people ought to be prepared for that," Mr. Goldman said. "But we are helping Yeltsin make the right choice in policies."

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# Yeltsin Pushes on Economy

### He Frees Chief Adviser to Concentrate on Changes

By Serge Schmemann New York Times Service

MOSCOW - President Boris N. Yeltsio, contributing to the political suspense in advance of the Russian Congress of Peoples Deputies meeting oext week, freed his chief economic adviser, Yegor T. Gaidar, of his duties as minister of finance. Mr. Gaidar remained deputy prime minister charged with overall economic strategy,

Mr. Gaidar and his aides said he himself had requested the change because routine duties at the Finance Ministry were draining too much of his time. He was succeeded as minister by Vasily V. Barchuk, 51, a career finance official who had been first deputy minister.

"Gaidar can now focus his attention on strategic reforms and on coordinating the economic work of the government," said Alexei V. Ulyukayev, a senior aide to Mr. Gaidar.

Despite these indications, the unexpected announcement rattled the political grapevine and roused some speculation that Mr. Yeltsin may have wanted to give the impression that he was curbing Mr. Gaidar's reach. Mr. Ulyukayev, however, said Mr. Gaidar remained io overall command of the Finance Ministry.

Commenting on a multibillion-dollar Western

aid package to support the economic changes in Russia, Mr. Ulyukayev ooted that "it took rather

long for the U.S. administration to take these decisions, but now we can only welcome it."

The Russian press has tracked in some detail the debates in Washington over economic aid to the Commonwealth of Independent States, and Thursday's izvestia reported the latest proposals along with a recapitulation of the entire debate, including former President Richard Nixon's memo criticizing President George Bush for his reluctance to

make a significant commitment.
The U.S. ambassador, Robert Strauss, who had been a leading advocate of large-scale aid to the former Soviet republics, said he had spoken to senior Russian officials and that "they are all extremely pleased.

"They are pleased with the package, they are pleased with the Bush-Baker energy that was de-voted to it, pleased to learn that it is getting hipartisan support," he said.

"There is concern, a serious concern, that the IMF will force some disciplines that will be too harsh for the public taste, and I have spent some time explaining that the IMF may oot be the most loved organization in the world, but they are respected for understanding the kind of problems, better than any other institution, that they face out

The loternational Monetary Fund has called for stringent economic restructuring.

### Ethnic Clashes Subside in Moldova

KISHINEV, Moldova — Units of the Russian Army on Thursday demanded an end to clashes between rebel Russian-speakers and Moldovan government forces.

The troops issued and later suspended an ultimatum to the Moldovan forces on Thursday pending the outcome of oegotiations between Moldovans and Russianspeakers in the Moldovan capital of Kishinev, an army spokesman

The commander of the Russian 14th Army had ordered Moldovan forces surrounding the Russiandominated town of Bendery in the Dniester region to pull back or face

gion of Moldava east of the Dniester River where Russian-speaking rebels want to establish their own

Moldovan officials said there was no need to panic and said foreign ministers of Moldova, Russia, Ukraine and Romania would hold peace talks on Friday.

It was oot immediately known if the 14th Army was acting alone or following orders from the joint command of the Commonwealth of Independent States, the successor to the Soviet armed forces.

The Dniester rebels reject rule from Kishinev because they fear that Moldova, with its 65 percent ethnic Romanian majority, will eventually join neighboring Roma-The 14th Army is stationed in the Dniester area, a breakaway reminority into second-class citizens.

Soviet Union:

 Policemeo io the westero Georgia town of Poti clashed Wedoesday with supporters of the ousted president, Zviad K. Gamsakhurdia, and 11 policemen were killed, the ltar-Tass press agency reported. The Interfax news agency reported 13 had been killed,

• Foreign Minister Jiri Dienst-bier of Czechoslovakia arrived Thursday in the Armenian capital, Yerevan, as part of preparations for an international peace confer-ence on the disputed region of Na-gorno-Karabakh, Itar-Tass said.

Mr. Dienstbier, a representative of the Conference on Security and Cooperation io Europe, visited Azerbaijan on Wednesday. (Remers, AFP, AP)

# On this side of the wall.

There are walls that can be knocked down in a few days. These are walls made of brick and stone, which are collapsed easily by will and force. But there are other walls which cannot be destroyed in just a few hours. These are the walls built up by the blocks of ideology and concepts, by mistrust and fear which stand unmovable in the conscience of men dividing, hiding and separating them from each other.

I am writing this letter in the name of many of my fellow citizens who live in the Independent States which have been created on the lands of the former USSR. For clearly understandable reasons I still consider them my fellow citizens as before. Our common historical destiny has linked us with such ties that no disintegrating force is capable of breaking down and we shall continue to feel these ties for a long time to come.

Now, least of all, do I wish to speak of politics. The subject is mankind and human compassion. The men, and women, the elderly, the children, are humans just like you. And, like you, need comprehension and respect, warmth and care; they need in their lives the kind of structure which allows them to lead a dignified existence in the

Any reasoning on this subject tends towards abstraction unless it is put in the context of the reality of human destiny. Unless it is related to how the true spirit of man lives and breathes, how it finds joyfulness and despair, how it strives towards freedom, even when blocked by a wall of indifference without finding a way through.

I have seen all of this and I would like you to see it also. During these last few days in Georgia, my native home, one of the republics of the ex-Soviet Union, I have looked into the eyes of despair and I have been distraught by its hopelessness. Desperation for mothers without even the possibility of buying a glass of milk for their children; and for the elderly who have no one on whom to lean. But most of all I have been shocked by the reflection of adult melancholy in the eyes of the children who have already learned to live in a world of constant fear and deprivation.

No one can explain to them why the uncaring wheel of history has to pass over their own particular souls and over their destinies. Nor will a reasoned argument over the historical cycle which has terminated the last empire of the world offer them comfort. One cannot ask them to tolerate this for much longer in the name of a radiant future which they may have to pay for with their own lives.

During these days I am thinking not only of them. My thoughts turn also to you. Recalling all that we have done to knock down the wall of Berlin, to overcome the split of the continent, to reunify Germany, to free the peoples of Eastern Europe so that your life would not be darkened by the threat of war, I think of the price that the peoples of the former Soviet Union, my people, have to pay for this.

The debts of history are settled by countries and governments but in the last resort it is always the people who suffer. And the suffering here could be so great that having reached the critical point it could, by reflection, produce a destructive impact also upon your warm and prosperous world.

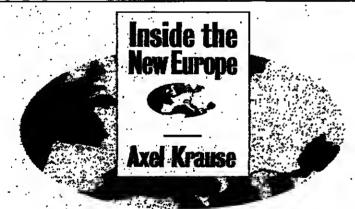
Think of this and help us to overcome these adversities. In the name of the future of your own children, help the people who have overthrown the yoke of totalitarianism. Share a small part of your warmth, sympathy and wealth, in other words make a contribution to the cause of progress and prosperity.

In my homeland I have created the Fund of Rebirth and Democracy of Georgia. I will be happy if my friends in European countries and in the world will support this project.

Nowadays when the idea of a community of mankind is triumphing, creating a world without frontiers or walls, I appeal to you knock down the last wall - the wall of indifference. Do not separate yourselves from us with barriers; look over to our side of the wall that is being destroyed. Only after seeing what is hidden under its rubble political vacuum, economic chaos, uncertainty in the existence of a large number of people - shall we be able to make the next step to a better future for all peoples. 99

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# Yes, Help the Russians

### Bush Gets It Right . . .

Washington is finally moving forcefully to support democracy in Russia. With George Bush's announcement Wednesday, the United States assumes its proper responsibility in the effort by the industrial countries to help the Russians rebuild their economy and politles. This time it is the right amount, aimed at the right purposes. This decision is as important as any Mr. Bush has taken since he became president.

Until now, help from the West has been chiefly emergency shipments of food and medicine, commercial sales of grain and from Germany - enormous contributions to the costs of sending the Red Army home from Eastern Europe. But over the winter the Russians' needs have shifted. With the chaos in their economy, their exports have fallen drastically. They are no longer earning the foreign currency to buy vital imports. Otherwise viable enterprises are strangling for lack of machinery, parts and raw materials.

The seven big industrial democracies bave now agreed to contribute \$24 billion in various kinds of aid to carry Russia through

the end of this year. Most of this aid is designed to alleviate the crucial shortage of foreign exchange and to guarantee stable exchange rates for traders and investors. That, incidentally, is exactly what the Marshall Plan did for Western Europe more than 40 years ago, in

... but Misses a Chance

President George Bush deserves bipartisan support for his newly announced programs of aid to Russia and the former Soviet republics. He has laudably if tardily seized the chance to invest in democratic and capitalist reform in what only recently was a menacing Communist superpower.

Yet he forfeited an opportunity to redefine foreign policy, using Russian aid as an example. Instead of promoting aid as a bulwark against a renewed Soviet threat, he could have talked about a larger American agenda - advancing democracy and markets through political and economic cooperation

while de-emphasizing military responses.
It took a phalanx stretching from Richard Nixon to Bill Clinton to prod Mr. Bush to take the lead. For months, the White House has treated foreign initiatives as po-lineal poison, With Mr. Clinton poised to announce his own aid agenda, Mr. Busb moved his plans forward.

The president's programs were the right ones: providing America's share of international support for the ruble and offering credits to buy food during the transition to market prices. Mr. Bush conditioned the aid on the recipient republics following through with promised reforms. He offered mostly loans to be repaid when Russia got back on its feet, Wisely, he warned Americans not to expect too much, too soon.

But where be might have used the transformation in U.S.-Russian relations to define the foreign policy needs of a new era, Mr. Bush turned toward the past. Echoing Mr. Nixon, he evoked the unlikely specter of a revived Soviet threat: "If this democratic revolution is defeated, it could plunge us into

one of economic policy's spectacular suc-cesses. Mr. Busb's decision, long delayed, comes harely in time. Next week, after a harsh and anxious winter in Russia, its Congress of People's Depudes will meet and confront President Boris Yeltsin with a rebellion against his plans for a market economy. But now Mr. Yeltsin will be able to cite this piedge of aid in arguing that Russia's greatest bope still lies in sticking

with his reforms. Why should Americans, suffering from a long recession, put up money to help Russia? The Democrats are offering the administration a hand in answering that electionyear question. Bill Clinton, campaigning in New York, gave a more articulate reply than Mr. Bush himself did. For America, Mr. Clinton said, a democratic Russia means "lower defense spending, a reduced nuclear threat, a diminished risk of environ-

mental disasters, fewer arms exports . . . and the creation of a new, major market for American goods and services." Exactly so. Russia is getting foreign aid sooner than the other former Soviet republics because it has plunged ahead much faster with these reforms - which are temporarily making life far barder for many Russians. It is essential to see them through this dangerous transition as rapidly as possible. The American share is about one-fifth of the \$24 billion. That will serve American interests as surely and as powerfully as it will Russia's.

a world more dangerous in some respects

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than the dark years of the Cold War." True, the world remains dangerous. But the collapse of the Soviet threat widens America's margin of security. This breathing space allows Washington to pursue oth-

er important values and interests.

Mr. Clinton appears less resistant to these changes than Mr. Bush. In Tnesday's speech to the Foreign Policy Association, be repeated his call for "a new strategy for American engagement," But then he was off and running — backward. "Having won the Cold War, we must not now lose the peace ... No national security issue

In a similar vein, he spoke of "new threats" from armed conflict within and among the former Soviet republics and from the growing intensity of ethnic rivalry which could spill across borders." These ethnic turf battles are serious. But bow exactly do they threaten America?

How much better if both be and Mr. Bush had proclaimed that helping Russia and others to craft democracies and more open economies out of communism's debris exemplifies a fundamental change in the

ends and means of U.S. foreign policy.

Nothing would better hring that message home to Americans than taking the money for Russian aid - and for UN peacekeeping and other essential international efforts — out of a bloated defense hudget. That would belp ease hostility to foreign aid by ensuring that the money is not coming at the expense of urgent needs at home. And it would say that the United States has better ways to advance its values and its interests than arms.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# France's Rising Right

The headline news from recent regional elections in France was the plummeting popularity of François Mitterrand's Socialist government. But in the long term the more noteworthy election returns continue to be those racked up by the xenophobic far-right National Front headed by Jean-Marie Le Pen. The Front. France's version of the extremist political parties that have inched into respectability in much of Western Europe, did not make the electoral breakthrough some had predicted, but it continued the slow growth that has made it a more durable presence than comparable movements in Germany, Belgium and Italy.

Mr. Le Pen's staying power and the experience of French politics in trying to contain him are hims at the future of the immigration and race issues that are becoming major European preoccupations. The anti-immigrant movements that surged in visibility this year are often blamed on social strains, like Germany's in reunifying, or economic hard times. France's economy is fairly strong. although unemployment is up — but the Front increased its nationwide tally from 11 to 13.8 percent, reached 30 percent in the south and actually outdistanced the weakened Socialists in the region around Paris.

Mr. Le Pen, an open racist and anti-Semite who advocates expulsion of North African immigrants and has called the Holo-caust "a detail of history," has surged this high before, only to fall back without making significant inroads into government. In 1988 he polled a surprising 14 percent in the first round of the presidential election, then saw his party firmly repudiated and swept from all but one legislative seat in the final vote. Meanwhile, though, he has made a large place in mainstream political debate for antiimmigrant sentiment, from the proposal by mainstream conservatives to change the citi-zenship law (for now, as in the United States, immigrants' children born on French soil are French, but this is not true in, say, Germany to the comment by the conservative leader Jacques Chirac that neighbors of foreigners suffer from their "odor.

Watching Europe deal with its new racial

diversity is fascinating for Americans, but the seeming parallels can mislead. Antiforeigner and plain racist views in Europe remain entangled with legitimate dehates on how to handle rising immigration. America's polyglot past at least gives it some experience in separating anti-immigration from anti-immigrant sentiment. Historically homogeneous countries lack that philosophical fallback as Third Worlders or ex-colonials arrive faster than they can be assimilated. Much French debate reveals this confusion - as when economic issues or human rights concerns, such as the treatment of women in some Muslim families, mingle with or are used as a blind for anti-Muslim prejudice. These are not easy debates, as Americans well know. The immigration issue will probably be thrashed out in the wider context of European Community law. Coming to terms directly with racial difference could

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take Europeans even longer.

### Libya and the UN Sanctions

Libya should not find it too difficult to get around the air embargo, thanks to neighbors - Egypt and Tunisia head the list — which seem disposed to intensify sea and land trade with a country richer than they are.

The UN Security Council refrained from imposing the sole punishment that could really have harmed Libya: an oil embargo. It is largely because of this black gold that Colonel Gadhafi has been able to preserve his power for 23 years and keep his people

under a dictatorship.

The decisions reached in New York will not dissipate the unease building around this crisis, which can be summed up by one question: Why is Libva the only suspect accused when all the early "leaks" by investigators of the Lockerbie bombing cast suspicion on Syria and Iran as well?

- Le Monde (Paris).

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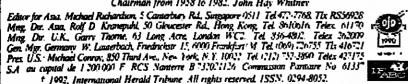
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# Aid to Russia: The Right Gesture, for What It's Worth

LONDON—Richard Nixon turned out to be more persua-sive than any economist in the debate over Western aid to the former Soviet Union. It was frightening enough when both right- and left-wing columnists raised the ghost. "Who (will have) lost Russia?" Then there was Mr. Nixon, whose lasting strength is his instinct for the political jugular. He warned that not putting in an additional \$20 billion or so for Russia would be a tragic error that would be responsible for a disaster of

immense historical proportions. On Wednesday, President George Bush alluded to such concerns when he announced a multi-billion-dollar package for the former Soviet Union that is part of a \$24 billion

program to be offered by Western nations.

The stakes, he said, "are as high as any we have faced in this century." This announcement followed the International Monetary Fund's endorsement of Russia's reform plan, opening the way for loans.

The United States is doing the right thing. But there

should be no illusions: Western aid will hardly influence the outcome in Russia. It may be a necessary condition for a successful economic

transformation, but there are so many other factors. History offers no help. The obstacles to economic stabilization and longer-term reconstruction in Russia are much great-

er than they were in Western Europe 45 years ago. Nor are there any lessons from Poland's recent experience. By Richard Portes

Making the Polish currency convertible to dollars, with a stabilization fund that backed it with hard-currency reserves, was correct. But the achievements of the initial stabilization only confirm that economists know how to stop high inflation, not how to manage the transformation of a communist econo-

my into a capitalist one.

Those who claim Poland has been a success should explain why the IMF suspended its credits and program for Poland in the summer of 1991. Living standards are down from 1989 and the country is politically unstable. (Such a depression is not an inevitable consequence of stopping hyperinflation: Look at Argentina's progress in the past year.) Apologists for Poland's plan blame the political system or the shock from collapsed.

plan blame the political system of the shock from conspect trade with Russia or anything but the economic plan. Though Polish leaders squandered immense political support, did the economic program play no role in that loss of backing? Boris Yeltsin is trying a similar approach in Russia. He is portrayed as a bero and great friend of the West. Yes, he has already done a lot. But be has not shown ability to govern in a democracy. Mr. Yeltsin has a team of clever young econo-mists (with Western advisers). They are extremely nice, too. But they have no experience running an economy, market or otherwise. They may not last long, and their

attempts to control the budget deficit are already failing. Stabilizing the ruble, it is said, might stop other Common-

wealth states from introducing separate currencies.

Try that on the Ukramians. Separate currencies will come regardless, as well as a breakdown of inter-republic trade. Even if offered conditionally to all republics, aid will not bring

a common economic plan. Russia's need is no greater than that of other former Sovies republics, not to mention Bulgaria, Romania and Albania, In Eastern Europe, U.S. aid could really make a difference. America's preoccupation with Russia has unfortunately turned attention from the others.

So the arguments for aid were weak. But the West could not refuse the bet, because the stakes are so high. And such

refuse the bet, because the stakes are so mgn. And such assistance might help in planning the next steps of reform and meet the political challenge of further price increases. Difficult questions remain. What conditions should be set for this aid? How should they be enforced? Is the program really right? Who should provide how much?

But these issues, like the arguments for and against Western aid, are trivial compared with the historical imperative:

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# This Is No Way To Refurbish A Democracy

By Flora Lewis

PARIS — Proportional representation, a fierce issue in the 1920s, is back on the political agenda in several countries. It is a prime example of bow abstract theory can sap democracy and distort governance, exactly the opposite of what its advocates claim.

The voting system may sound like a dry, technical approach to the big issues of society. But as politicians know, it can make all the

difference in awarding power.

They know, ton, that switching the system when it looks like you are losing can save a lot of your marbles, the cynical reason underlying President François Mitterrand's suggestion of establishing proportional representation, or PR, for next year's legislative elections,

Italy and Britain, which elect parliaments within the coming week, are in the same throes of PR arguments that could dramatically change their political structure.

Israel, which votes in June, has always had a constipated system because it chose nationwide PR from the start and could never get rid of it. There might just be a chance this time if Labor wins strongly enough to make a coalition government without the religious parties.

France's regional elections last month produced such messy borse-trading and dispersion of votes that some commentators concluded any extension of PR has been ruled out. That is not at all sure. But the fact that regional councils were elected by PR at the same time as cantonal executives were elected by constituencies gave an unusually clear measure of the difference in results.

In the regionals, the extreme right party, two competing versions of environments and assorted marginals took nearly a third of the seats among them, and then came wheelingdealing. In the cantonals, they collected a minimal handful.

The premise of PR is that it is more democratic because voters choose lists of candidates and scats are awarded by percentage of the total ballot. Thus losers and small parties are still represented.

But the fact is that lists are made up in back



get to pick their representative, only their label. The result is seldom a working majority, so elaborate coalition negotiations are required in which voters have no choice. Governments are likely to be either unstable or permanently frozen in unlikely combinations.

Both have happened in Italy, bringing a rising disgust with a system now seen as incapable of reforming itself. Italians are talking about the "First Republic," a startling new phrase which means they want to move on to a Second.

A broad movement across the political spectrum is agitating for referendum to get rid of PR as the key to every other necessary political change, because parliaments elected under the current system are locked into the patronage and clientism that have ruined the country's finances. arisen because of the Maastricht treaty on European economic and monetary union, Many Italians believe that there is no way the country can qualify for the union and not be left behind unless it moves to constituency voting. This reflects another way that Europe as a community is influencing domestic politics.

Italians think the British must be bonkers even to consider moving from single-member constituencies to PR. But it is a real issue in Britain, linked by political expediency to the surge of Scottish separatism.

If there is a hung Parliament, Paddy Ashdown's minor Liberal Democrats will have the balance of power and will demand PR as the price of a coalition. Even if Labor wins a majority, which is starting to seem likely, it assembly this year, with PR. The Liberal Democrats say they will go along, providing Labor puts in national PR.

No doubt the constituency system has draw-backs, preventing the growth of new paries. But impotent government is worse. Nor should any system be permanently sacrosanct; but changing one to perpetuate the party in power is atmost hypocrisy.

The romantic appeal of proportional representation, a vestige of progressivism early in the century, has been tarnished by its visibly perverse effect. What is left is mingy power politicking. There is always room to refurbish democracy. PR is the worst way to go about it. When a theory fails, it should be abandoned. Government has to go on.

# First-Name Advantage: A Hand for George From Friends Abroad

WASHINGTON — Foreign offi-cials cannot vote in America's elections, but they do not hesitate to express preferences. Thus, President George Bush got a nice election-year boost recently from Chancellor Hel-mut Kohl, who noted for the record that he bad no husiness intervening in American domestic affairs, but went ahead and did so anyway.

The German leader volunteered at a press conference, after a meeting at Camp David, that Mr. Bush was an experienced leader in international affairs, the clear suggestion being that American voters ought to consider that when they go into the vot-

mg booths next fail. Mr. Kohl bas good reason to be grateful to Mr. Busb. Not only has

and Schleswig-Holstein

e president supported the German leader in his drive for unification with the former East Germany, but be refrained from publicly embar-rassing Mr. Kohl before Sunday's elections in Baden-Württemberg

tional guarantees. By tipping his hat to Mr. Bush, Mr. Kohl in effect endorsed a favorite Republican campaign theme: The president is a practiced hand in global affairs, on a first-name basis ont only with Helmut Kohl but with presidents and prime ministers everywhere. No Democratic candidate can match him on that score.

The Japanese are also making a strong behind-the-scenes effort to

Mr. Bush would have liked the

chancellor to make good on a promise

to speed the new round of trade nego-

tiations to completion, but such a Kohl commitment would out have

gone down well with German farmers.

denying an Israeli request for a \$3

billion loan guarantee for bousing Soviet Jewish immigrants, thereby

presenting a united front with Mr.

Bush, who has rejected an Israeli request for \$10 billion in uncondi-

Mr. Kohl returned the favor by

By Hobart Rowen keep Mr. Bush in office, despite their anger at him for his recent effort to unload some of Detroit's lemons on their narrow highways,

The Miyazawa government has or-dered Japanese anto companies to ship fewer cars to the United States than allowed under the self-imposed "quota" limit in force this year. In addition, Japanese car companies are raising prices. The combined effect of these moves is intended to ease pressures on Detroit by making Japanese cars more expensive. In that way the Japanese hope to deflect some of the protectionist sentiment building up

on both sides of the aisle in Congress. What it comes down to, from the Japanese perspective, is that even a Bush backsliding on his free trade commitment is to be preferred to almost any Democrat, especially Jerry Brown, who has joined with American unionists in escalating the cur-

rent round of Japan-bashing.

### Trapshoot: Kinnock as Press's Target case had been the basis of the broadcast, 5-year-old Jennifer Bennett, as

LONDON — The Sunday Times of London topped the front page some weeks ago with a banner bead-line: "Soviet Files Reveal Labor's Private Dialogue With Kremlin." Below it was a large picture of the Labor Party leader. Neil Kinnock, his head shown against a red background. The eager reader of this great scoop found that Soviet diplomats over the years had sent home reports

of meeting Labor Party figures at embassy cocktail parties, the House of Commons and so on. They had conversations about current events. In other words, humdrum stuff,

Welcome to the world of British election-year journalism. It is jour-nalism of a kind now hardly known in the United States: grotesquely partisan, shamelessly advancing one party's cause. And almost all of it

is pro-Conservative.
The Daily Mail and The Daily Express, tabloids aimed at the middlebrow market, are totally committed to the Conservatives. So is Rupert Murdoch's best-selling Sun. The only large-circulation daily that supports Labor is The Daily Mirror.

"What Left Wants From Kinnock," a Daily Express headline said in late January, as the time for an election drew near. The story claimed that the left wing of the Labor Party -which in reality has been made marginal by Mr. Kinnock would see to it that he "devalued the pound by 25 percent" and hand-ed power "back to union bosses."

By Anthony Lewis

When the campaign started, La-bor's top financial spokesman, John Smith, announced his budget ideas, The Daily Mail's Page I coverage included a cartoon of Mr. Smith holding a taxpayer upside down and shaking money out of his pockets. The lead paragraph — and this in a news story — said: "Labor unveiled its tax plans yesterday and revealed that despite its mask of modernity and moderation, its driving force is

still the politics of envy. When Mr. Smith said he would be content if inflation were at current, "reasonable" European levels. The Daily Mail's banner headline was: "Mr. Rising Price."

Then there is the device of the unsourced "revelation." The Daily Express said: "Neil picks jobs for the boyos — Britain's top amhassadors will be chosen from the ranks of the party faithful if Labor wins . . . it was revealed last night."

Last week the campaign was large-ly given over to brickbats about a Labor political broadcast. It described the case of a little girl who had had to wait nearly a year for a National Health Service operation while another who used private medicine was treated quickly. "Disgusting, Distorted, Despica-ble" said the headline in the pro-Tory

Evening Standard the next day. It

quoted the doctor of the girl whose

saying that the delay had been the result of administrative error, not underfunding of the Health Service.

The Daily Mail's headline the next day was "No Regard for a Little Girl."

Commented the Sun: "If Kinnock will tell lies about a sick bitle girl, will he service."

ever tell the truth about anything?"

In fact, the television broadcast was evidently accurate. For the doctor who claimed it was distorted had written a letter to Jennifer's father a month earlier saying that the delay in her opera-tion was "unacceptable," that the waiting list for the hospital had "climbed enormously" and that there was "insufficient funding" for nurses.

The Daily Mirror printed the doctor's letter with an exultant Page I headline: "GOT 'EM: Doctor's Letter Damns Tories." The story pointed out that the doctor was a Conservative activist.

has taken to printing mock front pages of The Daily Mail, it had one with the headline, "Labor Plans Slaughter of the First Born." The story began: "One of the first actions of a future labor grant the Daily Mail. Labor government, The Daily Mail can reveal, would be to murder the eldest children of all families in Great Britain ... Last night Labor spokes-men angrily denied the top-secret plans. 'How on earth did you find out? said Gordon Brown, one of Kin-

nock's closest aides." The New York Times.

Subtle and sometimes not so subtle lobbying for the "devil they know" has been standard practice for America's Japanese and major European allies in recent years, even when there have

been sharp policy disagreements. When the American presidential contest has not involved an incumbent, the foreigners' choice invariably has been the candidate deemed more conservative. In 1960, European governments (and bankers) would have preferred Vice President Richard Nixon to John F. Kennedy, mistakenly tagged by financial experts as a

dangerous radical. But foreigners, like American citizens, are often fooled by campaign promises. Events in 1968 provide an example. By that time, America's trading partners had become hesitant about Mr. Nixon, fearing that he would he too responsive to protectionist pressures.

In the late '60s, it must be remembered, it was Democrats, not Republicans, who were regarded as "inter-nationally minded." But just before the election in 1968, Mr. Nixon pub-licly assured them that he would maintain the price of gold at \$35 an ounce, allowing foreigners to cash in their supply of excess dollars at that rate, and receive gold.

Mr. Nixon broke that promise in

August 1971, and for most of his first term Europeans and the Japanese en-gaged in a running battle with him over "exportation of inflation" from

supported him over George McGov ern in 1972, fearing that Mr. McGovern would be more isolationist and would assign a lower priority to the defense of Europe.
Four years later, when Jimmy Car-

ter burst onto the scene, allies again preferred the incumbent, Jerry Ford, who had become president when Mr. Nixon resigned. European officials, especially Chancellar Helmat Schmidt, were openly hostile to Mr.

Carter, Mr. Schmidt believed (erro neously) that Mr. Carter would turn out to be a knee-jerk liberal. He de rided Mr. Carter as uninformed about global politics and economics.

Besides, Mr. Schmidt had developed a rapport with Mr. Ford through the

economic summit process. The former Carter adviser Robert Stranss told me last year before going to Russia as U.S. ambassador: Ford was the only president Schmidt had any use for Schmidt never thought Carter was a leader. He didn't like Reagan, either. It wasn't anything specific. He just thought they didn't know their jobs."

But in international politics, it seems, familiarity breeds trust Judging by history, if events put Bill, Jerry or even Ross in the White House next January, any one of them will be on a first-name basis with Helmut and Kiichi (or their ...

### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Police Corruption NEW YORK - The sensation of to-

day [April 2] in the papers here is the presentment of the Grand Jury, charging the Police Department with being in league with the gamblers, criminals and keepers of disorderly houses. No such forcible report has ever before been handed down by a New York grand jury. It regrets that for lack of direct evident it is impossible to name the individual officials who receive hush money, but it emphatically

1917: Serbian Revolt

charges the police officials as guilty.

CORFU - The Serbian Press Bureau communicates the following: "Forty thousand Serbians are in revolt against Bulgarian brutality and their insupportable conditions in Serbia. The insurrection gains force day by day. Bulgarian soldiers on leave from their regiments have been re-called to deal with the situation. A deserter from the Bulgarian army reports disorders around Leskovatz. He declares that the Serbs intend to attempt to capture of Nish and then to come down on the back of the Bulgarian army on the Monastir front. The deserter also reports that Bulgarians have arrived at Nish.

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successors) by 1996. The Washington Post

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willingness to compromise on details of the independence issue. The working committee of the All-India Contion states in return for full war parown counterproposals which might keep the discussions going.

### **OPINION**

# Clinton-Bush: Round One Goes to the Challenger

By William Safire

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Wednesday on CNN, and Governor Bill Clinton came out standing a little taller. Twenty minutes before a long-scheduled foreign policy address by Mr. Clinton, the president rushed on the air to preempt his rival's call for aid to the republics of the former Soviet Union. "This isn't driven by election-year pressures," Mr. Bush felt the need to explain, after his 1,480-word, hastily slapped together and ill-rehearsed speech in the guise of a statement to a news conference. Nobody watching his missemly race against the opposition's trank. But the West could be are so high. And a state next steps of relonger themas for and agains the cities the historical imperate unseemly race against the opposition's deadline believed that

As if it gave him pain to read the words, the president amounced "a substantial multilateral financial assistance package ... to marshal roughly \$18 bil-ion in financial support." He followed this grand gesture with an apologetic "There's not a lot of new money," Mr. Bush's own version of "I didn't inhale."

Cut to Mr. Clinton on TV, who knew how to take advantage of White House panic. "Now, prodded by Democrats in Congress, rebuked by Richard Nixon and realizing that I have been raising this issue in the campaign since December, the president is smally, even now as we meet here, putting forward a plan of assistance. "He showed zest: "I'd carlly have as a much really like it if I could have as much influence on his domestic policy."

Zest was what the president lacked, because he was being pulled in two di-

rections at the same time. His political instinct told him to shy away from new foreign aid in an election year, lest the America-Firsters punish him; besides, he still holds it against Boris Yeltsin for toppling Mihail Gor-bachev and breaking up that old Soviet gang of mine.

However, Mr. Bush's presidential in-stinct told him to step up to the urgent needs of the embryonic democracies; not only would this save the United States money in the long run, but it would relieve him of the Nixonian "Who lost Russia?" charge.

Result: a tortured call to act responsiy, but don't worry, it won't cost much. Because this was the first time the two men had interacted on television, it is minating to compare their speeches and delivery.

1. Substance of the proposal to help the broken-up union: remarkably alike in shape, though the Bush package seems more generous in dollars. Both want a capitalist corps, under different names. Upshot: a draw.

2. Persuasive rhetoric: Mr. Clinton eloquently made the case for helping the Russians, Ukrainians and the rest; Mr. Bush did not even try. Mr. Clinton saw the assistance "not as a bailout but as a bridge loan, much as a

family gets from the bank when it's buying a new house before selling an old



one." That is an oratorical device used by Lincoln (comparing slavery to a snake in the bed with children) and Franklin Roosevelt (comparing lend-lease to handing a oeighbor your garden hose to put out a fire). A viewer could relate to Mr. Clinton's homely metaphor much more easily than to the stiff Bush bureaucratese about a "comprehensive

and integrated package of support." 3. Evocation of past leaders: Mr. Bush plodded along with "It was my privilege to work with Ronald Reagan on these broad programs . . . " Mr. Clinton subtly recalled the Kennedy inaugural with

"America's challenge in this era is not to bear every burden, but to tip the bal-ance." And he threw in a pointed phrase that should become part of his stump speech, deriding Mr. Bush's "prudence without purpose.

4. Focus: The president dealt with one subject and could lay out the specifics of action taken; this had an advantage over Mr. Clinton, who had to roam over a range of subjects. The challenger's worst idea: sending the president to Brazil's global-warming orgy in June. The irony is that Mr. Bush may feel forced by Mr.

5. Delivery: Mr. Clinton's voice was hoarse from campaigning and Mr. Bush's was not. But Mr. Clinton's attitude was assertive while Mr. Bush's was defensive; the challenger looked up while Mr. Bush looked down; and Mr. Clinton looked as though he was enjoy-ing his speech, crafting it until the last minute, while the president seemed irritated about having to read the compli-cated mess just handed to him. Round One: The challenger. But it is a long bout, and the champ has been in

this ring before.

The New York Times.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

the area if Turks would try to remember their own role in murdering 1.5 million

### Resetting Bush's Clock

A report on George Bush's health ("Bush Needs Less Stress, Doctor Says After Exam," March 28) states that he will be 69 on June 12. In fact, he will be 68. Father Time is inexorable enough. Don't age Mr. Bush before his time.

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V. W. H. GREENWAY.

### Free Mordechai Vanunu

Regarding the report "U.S. Team Begins Inquiry at Patriot Bases in Israel" (March 23):

The article quotes an Israeli official as telling American investigators, "We have nothing to hide here," and assuring them that they can visit any place they wish with "full cooperation to look for...

whatever they want."

If the Americans inspected the Di-mona nuclear reactor they would at least find evidence of the 200 or more nuclear warheads that Mordechai Varuum said as long ago as 1986 would be found there. That would be a first step for an inspection by the International Atomic Energy Agency. I cannot see how peace ported from ancestral homes, can progress in the Middle East without. It would be convenient for

disclosure of nuclear capabilities by all the countries of the region.
It is ironic that Mordechai Vanuon

should be languishing in prison when countries including Syria, Iraq and Iran have admitted IAEA teams. And the news that the United Nations is sanctioning Libya for failure to hand over suspects in the Lockerbie bombing makes one wonder about its complete failure to demand that Mr. Vannun be returned to Europe. Mr. Vanunn is no Eichmann. Let him be freed. SIMON GOULD.

### Stop the Killing

Regarding "Azerbaijan and Armenia" (Letters. March 19) by Dr. Cergiz Oktay: Dr. Oktay's opinion on Azerbaijan's role in Nagorno-Karabakh is about as objective as Hitler's would be on the terrorist attack on the Israeli Embassy in

"The tradition of leniency and tolerance" that Azerbaijanis have displayed toward Armenians has resulted in hundreds of deaths by pogroms as well as hundreds of thousands of people de-

Armenians in 1915-17, rather than covering up their guilty consciences by ac-cusing those who have been victimized in Nagomo-Karabakh and Azerbaijan. JORGE E. VARTPARONIAN. Buenos Aires.

SOS Azeris! As members of the Turkish Anti-Defamation League, we should like to note that the Armenians, after first driving out Azeris by harassment, are now massacring them in order to completely clear Nagorno-Karabakh of Azeris and grab their land,

S. ARSEL (and 14 others). Levent, Turkey.

### Whites in Zimbabwe

It is "Time to Help Pretoria," accord ing to the New York Times editorial in your March 20 issue. Meanwhile, you report that the Zimbabwe government is now empowered to seize white-owned farmland "with little compensation and no right of appeal" despite warnings that this could cripple the economy and force the country to import food.

Some redistribution of economic as-

It would be convenient for peace in ... sets may be instiffed, but it should not provide moral support for her husband

deny any right to the white minority and neglect the long-term interest in a strong economy for all communities.

JEAN-BAPTISTE GERARD.

### Bethlehem, Where?

In your crossword puzzle of March 25, the ciue for Il Down is "City in Pennsylvania or Jordanian town." The answer is "Bethlehem," Surely a more precise and felicitons definition might have been found for the "little town of Bethlehem." I can think of several, Bethlehem has been under the rule of the Ottoman Turks, the British Mandate, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and, since 1967, of Israel. To call Bethlehem a Jordanian town because it was onder Jordanian rule for 19 of the past 500 years is a distortion of history.

BEROL ROBINSON. Meudon, France.

### No Offense Taken

Regarding "'Hillary, for Bill's Sake, Stop It...'" (Opinion, March 27) by Wil-liam Safire:

As a woman who has taken time to inform herself about feminism and to in the form of tea-and-cookies comfort, when I heard that Hillary Clinton said she didn't choose to help her husband through traditional, home-based means, I wasn't in the least put out.

Mr. Safire suggests that I should be. But I'm not, because to my ears at least, Hillary Clinton did not denigrate these activities, she simply indicated she had looked for the activity she could perform with integrity.

If she contrasts herself with women more focused on their homes, this need not be a sign of creeping elitism, only a clear-sighted and clear-hearted analysis of where her strengths lie.

LYNNE ANNE MORSE. Rijswijk, Netherlands.

### Mario and Norm

Why do the Democrats need to wrine their hands over potential presidential material? To me a winning combination would be Mario Cuomo for president with Norman Schwarzkopf as vice president. This is a tough, smart combination with a can-do reputation sympathetic to the ordinary gry and foot soldier.

DENNIS R. WIER.

# You Can't Teach Safer Sex In Bumper Sticker Form

By Ellen Goodman

BOSTON — When Magic Johnson to them, you will die therefore don't do first started talking about AIDS, it, rather than to talk about values, relacondoms and abstinence, he got his words a bit muddled. "The best sex," he

said at one point, "is oo sex." That wasn't exactly what he meant. Somebody out there may be getting

### **MEANWHILE**

ready to publish "The Joy of No Sex." But Magic was talking about the risks of sexually transmitted diseases and the one sure way to avoid them.

Still, in the months that have followed, months full of a sober and necessary discussion about sexual risks and sexual values, his original bungled phrase has stayed in my mind. There is something missing from the public discussion about sex. The current no-no, the one forbidden word, is not the anatomically correct name of a body part:

It is the word pleasure.

The debate among those who teach the young and the single is deeply divided between two camps: those who want to teach "safe sex" and those who teach "saved sex." The community is replete with intense arguments over what to say to young people.

On any given morning, one school in America may be giving away condoms and describing birth control while another school may be leading their students in a chastity pledge: "Do the Right Thing, Wait for the Ring," Reli-gious leaders on one front may be preaching abstinence at Sunday mornng services while on the other front, the Harvard Divinity School celebrates AIDS Awareness Week with an art ex-hibit entitled, "Sacred Condoms."

These arguments rage in communities from Shreveport, Louisiana, to Greenwich, Connecticut. The consensus that we have to give our young some sex educa-tion splits right down the middle. Should the education be from the chastity curriculum like sex respect, or the caution and condom curriculum? Which breaks more easily: condoms or yows of celibacy?

But for all the furor, both sides share the same subtext: danger. And only occasionally do we ootice a problem with this shared anxiety. Perhaps, for example, when a 9-year-old boy tells a reporter here: "When I grow up, I'm not going to have sex because I don't want to die."

Sex - that word that we too often limit to intercourse — has both dangers and pleasures. In the '60s and '70s, we talked about pleasures and forgot about dan-gers. Many of our children, our daughters in particular, were oot liberated by the sexual revolution but made more vulnerable - to pregnancy, to disease, to exploitation. But in the 1990s, we talk about

danger and forget about pleasure.
"We use AIDS to clobber our young people," says Debra Haffner of the Sex Information and Education Council of the United States. "We are trying to say

tionships, decision-making, Pleasure? We don't talk about it at all."

None of this is surprising. When AIDS-infected "Uncle Eddie" makes front-page news for sexually exploiting young men in Philadelphia, pleasure is not the first thought on a parent's mind. When 13-year-olds are having sex and 15-year-olds are having babies, the most popular P-Word is protection.

And when the sexual messages of movies and music are locked in a media time warp where sex is rarely safe and never saved, we see our own role as one

To dwell on the danger is to limit human sexuality to the sex act. To remain silent about the pleasure leaves the field open to the exploitive distortions of mass culture. Protected sex must not boil down to 'no sex.'

of rebuttal. They talk about sexual li-cense, we talk about sexual danger. Sol Gordon, one sex educator who

speaks the language of young people. even says, "I'm at a stage where I can't even talk about pleasure as a sex educator - I have to talk about health issues, life and death issues."

But to talk only of danger is to limit all of human sexuality to the sex act. To remain silent about sexual pleasure leaves the field to the exploitive distortions of the mass culture.

This may be a hard time for any sexual ethic more complicated than a bumper sticker. That may be especially true for those of us who believe in both postponement and protection and pleasure, ac-cording to time and place and person. There is nothing contradictory in teaching kids about both the risks and delights sex. If we don't, we may leave them safe but crippled. Along with all the other anxieties of the age, add this to the list: We need to also fear the fear of sex. The Boston Globe Newspaper Company

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### **GENERAL NEWS**

### Malaysia Taking On Sultans Pere is the The

By Michael Richardson

men face of the safe read nional Herold Tribune SINGAPORE - When Sultan Ismail Petra, hereditary ruler of the Malaysian state of Kelantan, roared away from a customs holding area recently in a new Italianmade sports car after refusing to pay more than \$800,000 in import taxes, he touched a sensitive nerve in Malaysia.

Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad accused him of unethical behavior and said he had "flouted the law" by taking the Lam-borghini Diablo without paying duty. Newspapers publicized the

Under the country's system of parliamentary democracy and constitutional monarchy, sultans preside over 9 of the 13 states as symbolic protectors of indigenous Malays, their culture and the Is-

As the Malaysian cabinet met in Kuala Lumpus on Wednesday to discuss the issue, analysts said the Diablo affair seemed certain to increase efforts by the federal gov-emment and the main Malay political party to try to curtail the authority of the traditional rulers.

The sultans exercised absolute power over their subjects before Malaysia became a British colony. The country's first prime minister after independence in 1957 was a Malay prince.

The role of the sultans was so highly valued by Malays, who conte about half the population of 18 million, that amendments to the Sedition Act passed by the legisla-ture in 1971 made it an offense to question the position or preroga-

tives of traditional rulers in public. But in the last few years, as political affiliations have changed and economic growth has opened up extensive new business opportuni-ties in Malaysia, there has been growing and increasingly open criticism of some of the royal families from Malay businessmen and Malay-dominated elected governments in Kuala Lumpur and the

The Diable affair "raises the islay rulers is to be modified in the context of rapid changes in Malaysian society and the emergence of a and administration at the University of Malaya.

Malay politicians complain of towing interference from the traditional rulers in politics and busi-

At a general assembly in November of the main Malay political party, the United Malays National Organization, speakers said that royal families were competing with commoners in everything from import permits for cars to licenses for gas stations and logging conces-

Mr. Mahathir is president of the organization.

Delegates to the assembly also asserted that members of royal families were using their influence to secure lucrative contracts and licenses for Chinese business associates. Chinese and Indians are the main minority races in Malaysia.

Anwar Ibrahim, the finance min-

ister and senior vice president of the United Malays National Organization, said recently that in 1972 a conference of rulers decided that each sultan should be allowed to own seven luxury cars exempt from

import duty. But he said that Sultan Ismail had already been allowed nine duty-free imports and must pay taxes on the Lamborghini or hand it back to customs. The import teniff on luxury items

is more than 300 percent. The sultan is said to owe 2.1 million ringgit (\$814,000). Mr. Anwar added that the sultan already possessed 21 luxury imported cars, excluding 10 that had been underdeclared and later sold

Sultan Ismail has denied wrongdoing, saying that the 1972 decision was not a binding rule and that as sue of how the position of the Ma- head of Islam in his state he was bound by Muslim law, oot secular

Analysts said his stand appeared Malay middle-class," said Muru-gesu Pathmanathan, associate pro-in Kelantan, which is ruled by a fessor in the faculty of economics government led by the Pan-Islamic party, the main political rival of the

mited Malays organization. Karpal Singh, deputy chairman of the opposition Democratic Action Party, said Sultan Ismail was being "hounded for the obvious reason that he has stood up against the federal government."

Officials of the united Malays organization have accused the sultan of having backed their oppo-nents when the united Malays swept to power in Kelantan in a 1990 election, citing his behavior as an example of improper political It is not clear whether the federal

government will use its more than

two-thirds majority in Parliament

to amend the constitution to remove the remaining political powers of the sultans and the country's king, whom they elect from among themselves every five years.

The constitution states that no

law directly affecting the privileges, position, honors or dignity of the sultans shall be passed without the consent of a conference of rulers. The Mahathir government's last attempt to curb the authority of the rulers created a constitutional crisis that was only resolved by a com-

promise in 1984. Under the compromise, the king was left with the right to delay, but no longer veto, federal legislation to which he objected. But the sul-tans were allowed to continue to

approve or block state bills. At a meeting in February be tween the Malay traditional rulers and a delegation of senior leaders from the united Malays organization, Mr. Anwar said there was

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# A New Editor for The New York Post

editor of The New York Post, has announced his resignation after nearly three years in which the paper scored some journalistic coups viule also setting the standard for big-city tabloid sensationalism.

ty, would become editor when Mr.

Nachman leaves in about two

New York Times Service NEW YORK --- Jerry Nachman Peter S. Kalikow, publisher and owner of The Post, said Lou Colasucuno, the paper's executive edi-tor and Mr. Nachman's chief depu-

Mexico, because he suffers from asthma and that he would complete a novel that he described as "a psychological thriller not surprisingly involving tabloid columnists, journalists, mobsters, serial

killers, psychiatrists and cops." "As they taught me in the sixth grade, write about what you know," he said.

The change comes at a critical moment for The Post. If The Daily Iy.

Mr. Nachman, 46, said that he planned to move to Santa Fe, New successful in attracting a buyer, Mexico, because he suffers from The Post will probably come under increased competitive pressure. Mr. Kalikow, who is in personal bankruptcy, has said he is a prospective buyer of The News.

Mr. Colasuonno, 44, has worked at The Post for 24 years and has functioned as the main nots-andbolts editor, with prime responsibility for the news report, which he said would not change significant-

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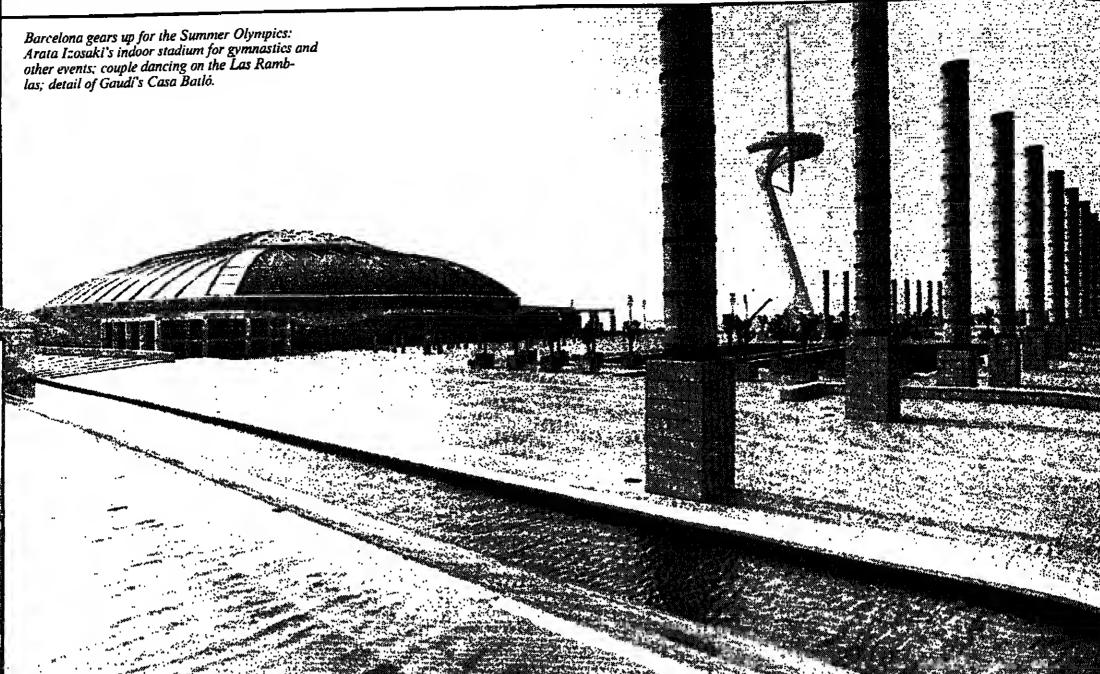
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# A New Barcelona Emerges for the Summer Olympics

Ey Alan Riding New York Times Service

ARCELONA - Driven to distraction by noise, dirt, traffic jams and general inconvenience, the people of Barcelona bave wondered more than once in recent years if the price of being bost to this year's Summer Olympics was perhaps too high. But as the dust from myriad construction sites finally begins to settle just four months before the opening of the Games on July 25, a new city is coming into view and, well, perhaps it was worthwhile

Catalans, it has to be said, were pretty proud of their capital city as it was — before architects and engineers pinned it to drawing boards and began redesigning it. In fact, in less time than it takes to open a bottle of cava, the local version of champagne, they would spell out how Barcelona was superior to Madrid — a strong identity born of a history dating back 2.000 years, a rich tradition of architectural and artistic innovation, a people that liked to have fun but also knew how to work hard. For Barcelona's city fathers, however, this was not enough. When they began campaigning as far back as 1981 to "win" the 25th Summer Olympics, they saw the Games not only as a way of putting

In reality, a few projects may not be fin-ished in time; priority was given to the Olympic sites and these are in top shape. Indeed, the conversion of the Olympic Stadium, which was built in 1929, was completed in September 1989 and now, with a capacity of 65,000, it has been tested with several athletic meets. The new Palau Sant Jordi indoor stadium, designed by Arata Isozaki of Japan, has also been in use for well over a year. It has a capacity of 17,000 and will be the site of the handball, volleyball and gymnastics events.

Along with the strikingly modern Tele-phone Tower, 115 meters (380 feet) high, designed by Santiago Calatrava, these two stadiums stand on the slopes of Montjuic Park and have become the visual symbols of the 1992 Games. This area, in the southwest part of the city, first developed for Barcelona's 1929 International Exhibition, also includes a new Sports University, where the wrestling competition will be held, two sets of indoor and outdoor pools for the swimming, diving and water polo events, and the sites for fencing, weight lifting and rhythmic

gymnastics. Three other Olympic complexes are situat-

the city on the world map but also as the perfect excuse for modernizing its intrastructure. When King Juan Carlos inaugurates the Games, the new city should be ready. be used for judo and the kwon do competi-tion. The Vall d'Hebron area has the city's main velodrome as well as facilities for archery and tennis events. Finally, the Parc de Mar area is the site of the Olympic Village, where 10,000 athletes will be housed, as well as the new Olympic Harbor, headquarters

as the new Olympic Harbor, headquarters for sailing events.

A few competitions will be held outside Barcelona. Spain's current basketball fever, for example, began eight miles np the coast in Badalona so a new 12,500-seat indoor stadium has been huilt there to house the event. The lake at Banyoles, 100 kilometers (6) miles broath of the city and the venue for (60 miles) north of the city and the venue for frequent boating events, has been assigned the rowing competition. La Seu d'Urgell in the Pyrènces will be the scene of the whitewater canoeing, while l'Hospitalet and Viladecans, 5 and 14 miles down the coast respectively, share the baseball competition.

The Olympic objective was to insure that athletes and visitors could move quickly between the sites. The ulterior motive was to provide Barcelona with two new ring roads that could release the traffic pressure on the city center. Similarly, modernization of Barcelona's airport, long overdue, was made

The by the need to handle 350,000 to 400,000 visitors during the Games.

The most important decision, though, was

to reopen Barcelona to the sea. In recent decades the city had no access to the water except through the port that stands at the end of Las Ramblas, the popular three-quarters-of-a-mile-long avenue and promenade. On either side, the path to the beach was blocked — to the south by docks and ware-houses, to the north by factories and railroad tracks. Now, along a three-mile stretch to the north, the coastal area has been transformed by razing decades-old buildings and moving the tracks.

The Olympic Village, which will become an up-market residential quarter after the Games, was built in this long dilapidated

Whether all this will suffice to change Barcelona's vocation, however, is still to be seen. Until now, what attracted visitors was its strongly urban character - its architecture, culture and food.

The Gothic quarter, northeast of Las Ramhlas, I confess, is my favorite neighborhood, with its narrow cobbled streets, hidden patios, unexpected plazas, fine palaces and tiny shops, all tucked into a small area within a stone's throw of the 14th-century cathedral. The quarter contains remains of Roman buildings, although much of what

can be seen today dates from between the 12th and 15th centuries. The front of the cathedral looks onto a more modern plaza, but behind it there is a maze of streets worth exploring. In the Plaza Sant Jaume, two fine palaces housing the Barcelona and Catalonia governments stand opposite each other in a perfect expression of the balance of power.

ITHIN a few minutes' walk are

some of the city's cultural centers. The Picasso Museum on Montcada Street is a reminder that the artist hved in Barcelona between 1895 and 1904. In addition to its permanent collection of paintings, drawings, engravings and ceramics, the museum is holding a special "Picasso: 1905-1906" exhibition through April 19. In the opposite direction on Las Ramblas stands the Gran Teatre del Liceu, Barcelona's opera house.

Las Rambias is a happening in itself. A long, shaded promenade lined with shops, cafes and hotels that cuts through the old city, it constantly draws crowds who come to peruse newspaper stands, to buy tropical birds, to listen to buskers and, naturally, to ramble. The old market of La Boqueria is busy until early afternoon and a quick tour of its fish, meat, cheese, fruit and vegetable stands is a must. Off Las Ramblas is the Plaza Real, the ideal place for a beer and a break in an outdoor café, although it is less appeal to some of the city's homeless and derelicts.

ly distinguishes Barcelona is the area to the north of the Gothic quarter where the Modernism movement flourished in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The movement's most famous legacy, Antoni Gandi's Temple of the Sagrada Familia (Holy Family), is still unfinished, although its immense towers are reference point on the skyline. But Gard. did complete his landscaping of the Guell Park's gardens, with a long, wavy bench covered in painted tiles its most famous piece among the many whimsical architec-tural-sculptural elements. On and near the Paseo de Grácia, there are also many houses designed by Gaudi and other Modernist ar-

A century after Gaudi, the city is once again an architect's dream. It has many fine architects of its own. Ricardo Bofill and Oriol Bohigas among them, but it has also attracted the world'a best. Apart from these involved in the Olympic projects, Gae An-leuti is renovating the buge National Palace to receive the new National Museum of Catalan Art and Richard Meier has designed. the still unfinished Museum of Contempo-

### GIIDE HOVIE





Rosie Perez enlivens "White Men Can't Jump," left, and a scene from "The Power of One," set in South Africa.

White Men Can't Jump Directed by Ron Shelton.

The movie is about basketball, and how an odd couple of playground hustlers angle for the hig score, but it's about words too. On the Los Angeles courts. Sidney (Wesley Snipes) is a smoothie king with liquid moves and a fly patter. Billy (Woody Harrelson) comes in wearing baggy shorts and a surfer-jerk shirt, one goofylooking piece of white meat. Playing on the street ball prejudice that whites can't keep up with blacks, Billy lures Sidney into a shootout and, in front of all his friends, takes him for every penny. Once the pain has passed. Sidney realizes that teaming up with Billy could mean a chance at some real dough, so he makes a proposition. Shelton, who plunged into the religion of baseball in "Bull Durham," works on a less metaphysical level here. Both films get down to the essence of the game, and to the connections

between the game and the players' lives. The physical sparring on the court is mirrored by the verbal sparring between the sexes, particularly in the scenes between Billy and his girlfriend. Gloria (Rosie Perez). Shelton's point is that white men and black men come closer to understanding each other than men and women of any color.
(Hal Hinson, WP)

The Power of One Directed by John G. Avildsen.

John G. Avildsen directs this pious South African drama as if it were "The Anti-Apartheid Kid," chronicling the brave attempts of a little blond, blueeyed boy called P. K. to fight racial injustice. The battle is waged mostly in terms of toothless platitudes and ugly encounters with racist hullies, in closeup whenever possible. It is half an hour before the excellent Morgan Freeman and Armin Mueller-Stahl enter the story as a prison inmate and the boy's

kindly grandfather, giving the film at least some reason to exist. When P. K. reaches high school the vastly overqualified John Gielgud is beadmaster. The facile treatment of racial issues may bring back the practice of throwing tomatoes at the screen. (Janet Maslin, NYT)

The Cutting Edge Directed by Paul M. Glaser.

U.S. Calgary, 1988. A figure skater twirled by her partner crashes to the ice. A star bockey player is blindsided, with a career-destroying loss in peripheral vi-sion. Two years pass. Kate (Moira Kelly), the figure skater. preparing for Albertville. Rich, arrogant, sarcastic Kate has run through as many partners as Doug (D. B. Sweeney) bas applications for bockey teams. In desperation, Kate's Russian coach (Roy Dotrice, with a thick accent), thinks of him. Sweeney's Doug is a likable All-American guy, the film's solid anchor, while Kelly

must suggesting that there may be more to Kate than hauten and snobbery. Question: Why isn't such an egotist as Kate a soloist in the first place? (Kevin Thomas, LAT)

Ruby Directed by John Mackenzie.

"Ruby" looks at the events in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963, from a rather more modest point of view than Oliver Stone's "JFK," which is not to say that its imagination doesn't run amok, sometimes deliriously. With the physically impressive Danny Aiello in the title role, "Ruby" is the story of the smallish man who, on national TV, shot Lee Harvey Oswald in a Dallas police station. "Ruby" doesn't exactly refute "JFK." It mythologizes a lot of known facts, which are then mixed suggesting the movie has been By Bryan Miller New York Times Service

ARCELONA - Visitors to Barcelona during this summer's Olympic Games may find that the crowds in well-known restaurants rival those in the spectator stands. The tapas bars in tourist neighborhoods, too, may resemble the starting line of a marathon. Now for the

Many restaurants, bars and specialty food stores that normally close in August for vacation plan to remain open this year, so if you venture off the beaten track ample din-ing opportunities should exist. One uncon-ventional and colorful way to beat the crowds is seeking out various charcuteries in Barcelona that have several tables in the back for those who can't wait to take the groceries home. In these shops you can taste anything from silken serrano ham to distinctive regional cheeses, wines, breads and

pastries; some serve tapas.

Prices are almost always lower in these shops than in full-service restaurants. Here are three such charcuteries, plus two out-of-the-way tapas bars that serve outstanding charcuterie.

La Castellana Charcuteria (41 La Rambla; telephone 302-3171). This 95-year-old specialty grocery and charcuteric is worth a stop just for the remarkable cured ham called jabugo, a specialty from the mountains out-side of Seville. The pinkish-red meat, sliced thinly and served with fresh rolls, has a silken texture, sweet-nutty flavor and re-markably long aftertaste, like a fine Rioja wine. Speaking of wine, the store stocks many fine labels, some in half bottles.

La Castellana has a warm and traditional aura, with its dark wood shelves holding wines and fine olive oils, little wrought-iron tables with marble tops for those who want to sample the foods, serrano hams and chorizo dangling from ceiling hooks, and a friend-ly, patient staff.

Other tidbits to try are the paprika-cured green olives called machadas; Salamanca salchicha, a lean, spicy chorizo from Castile (have your wine or water nearby), and the mild, dense sheep's cheese called manche You might sample an assortment of soft. semifirm and hard cheese for comparison. with fiction to speculate in ways with the flavor getting sharper as it is more aged. The cheese would go particularly well sniffing gine. As crazy as it is, it with a Jean León cabernet sauvignon or charis almost rudely entertaining domnay, a Torres Sangre de Toro or many of the medium bodied Penedés wines sold here for under \$10 a bottle. Appetizer-size portions . (raciónes) generally run from \$3 to \$7.

El Gran Colmado (318 Conseil de Cent; 418-1704). One of Barcelona's better specialty food stores, Gran Colmado offers some superb olive oils, cured olives, cheeses, various types of cured hams, pastries and regional wines among its vast stock. This meticulously organized half-block-long shop has a lously organized nair-block-long shop has a cluster of marble tables in the back where you can enjoy a sampling lunch. It also serves tapas (\$3 to \$10), and the changing selection is extensive and superior.

At 11 A. M. well-dressed businessmen stop

in for a slice of ham, pan con tomate (halved rolls rubbed with tomato and olive oil) and a short red wine. Here I grasped the characterization of Catalans as being the most busi-ness-minded and efficient of all Spaniards: At ness-minded and efficient of all Spaniards: At a small marble table near me a gentleman was sitting drinking coffee with an open-faced serrano sandwich, reading the newspaper and having his shoes shined all at once.

Charenteria La Pineda (16 Carrer del Pi; 302-43-93). This is one of those little stores in the Cochia Caracter that was rightly one.

in the Gothic Quarter that you simply can-not walk by without poking inside. If you are not lured in by the curtains of chorizos, serrano hams, air-dried legs of lamb and seriano nams, arr-dried legs of lamb and sundry sausages from around Spain, then you will be by the leathery faced habitués at the tiny stand-up bar. Founded in 1918, this gem of a grocery cum tapas bar seems to have a strictly local clientele. The staff is

polite and accommodating.

Sit at a long marble table on squat stools in front of old wood and glass wine shelves that look as if they haven't been opened since the Spanish Civil War.

■ That old do-gooder Donald Trump went off to Hariem the other day, with Marla in tow, to give a check to the founder of Hale House, which cares for babies whose mothers are drug addicts or infected with AIDS. Clara Hale, whose 87th birthday it was, said thank you very much and kissed him on the cheek. We knew The Donald was concerned about safe sex, but we didn't know he cared this much about the poor. The check, drawn on the Taj Mahal casino (which not so long ago was involved in bankruptcy proceedings) was

Sampling Charcuterie and Tapas The dense and chewy chorizo de Seguvia seems to be a favorite of the regulars, as is the shiny, scarlet ham from Granada that goes for about \$3 for a generous plate. Another ham is wrapped in a ham mouse that is freekled with black truffles and green peppercorns. And there is the empanadapeppercorns. And there is the empanada Gallega, a tasty thin pastry stuffed with tuna and red peppers (\$3.50 for a slice big enough for two). The Spanish-style potato tortillas.

are better than average, too.

The simple house red wine from Tarragona, Priorato, costs \$1 for a small glass...

Can Paixano (Carrer de la Reina Cristina) This accidental discovery is down a chittered passageway from the 184-year-old landmark restaurant Les Set Portes (7 Doors), a couple of blocks from the waterfront on a short street filled with electronics shops and jewdry stores. Can Paixano offers a rollicking. rough-edged taste of working class Spain just a 10-minute walk from the Columbus statue. It has neither a phone nor a sign. Even the street number, which is normally posted above the door, is missing.

Starting about noon, local artisans, stu-dents and squat, bag-toting women flood into this narrow bar and charcuterie with a napkin-strewn cement floor that appears to be in a converted garage. The bar is three deep in no time. Pushing and shoving is part of the fun here.

Behind the counter and under greasesplotched signs listing all kinds of se and cured means, cooks hostle up charcuteric platters and sandwiches. Taste a ración of the delicious sir-cured ham, lusty chorito, butifarra (Catalan pork sansages that come both white and dark), or cecina, the dark minimally salty air-cured beef that is a spocialty of Burgos. The butifarra is especially savory; so too is a strong chewy Basque chorizo called chistorra. Raciónes go for \$1.25 to \$2.25.

Along the chest-high counter are bottles of cheap sparkling rose that go for \$2.75 a bottle or 50 cents a glass. In any other setting this sweet, bubbly drink would be dismissed. as a step above garger ale. Somehow, though, the obstreperous Iberian setting and suggest food elevate it to a higher status.

Barcelona Jabugo (175 Paris; 201-29-42). This animated beer hall and tapes bar with a perpetually busy bar is a diverting place to sample exquisite jabugo as well as many other types of charcuterie from around the country. Nibblers can stand at the bar or witat one of the small tables in the back. Jahogo is expensive wherever you find it. At Barcolona Jabugo it costs about \$20 for a 35

In architectural terms, however, what tru-

By Roger Collis

International Herald Tribune

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# The Games: To Flee or Not to Flee

By Al Goodman

ARCELONA -To stay or to leave town? Barcelona residents are starting to make their choices, as the specter of the crunch looms. Some 30,000 athletes, coaches, journalists, onlookers will descend on Barcelona for the Olympic Games July 25 to Aug. 9, and that is just the top of the iceberg.

Organizers hope that many residents will go on vacation. Some large factories are of-fering early vacations from July 15 through Aug. 15 (instead of entirely in August) and schools will hold earlier than usual exams so students can leave Barcelona or work as volunteers, said Adrian Mac Limen, a spoke-man for the Barcelona Olympic Organizing Committee (COOB in Spanish).

City officials, he added, estimate that more. than a third of Barceloua's 1.7 million cars normally would be out of town during the Olympics. But COOB is unsure of just how many will be away this year.

"Among my friends, there is a little bit of everything." Mac Liman explained. "Some say they'll stay and others say, 'My God, I can't wait to leave."

Carles Tache, art gallery owner: "I am going to stay, of course. I think the great majority of people are going to remain here."
His gallery is participating in the Cultural Olympics, with a show by the sculptor Jaime Pleasa. Taché has tickets for two events. Enedina Garcia, a secretary at the General

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Workers Union (UGT) office: "I will stay here, try to talk with people from other coun-tries and put up with the heat. But I won't go to the stadiums, I don't like all those people

Antonio Rubio, president of the Barcelona Hotel Association: "I will stay here, to be attentive to everything that is happening."
The hotel association will increase office hours during the Olympics. Rubio has tickets

A group of Barcelona residents describe for the opening and closing ceremonies. He their plans: oearby summer homes along the Mediterranean, but return for Olympic events.

Gabriel Jackson, professor emeritus of history and humanities at the University of California at San Diego, and a Barcelona resident since 1983: "I haven't given any thought to fleeing." How about his friends? "They say it will be noisy and the restaurants crowded. A lot of them talk about leaving, but I'm not some they really mean it."

Carlos Marti, fourth generation owner of the family's wholesale fresh produce firm: "One of my sons is an Olympic volunteer. I can't be one because of my work." The family plans to stay at their usual residence six miles (10 kilometers) from Barcelona. They have

inchesters) from Barcetona. They have tickets for some Olympic events.

Maria Angels Llimas, press department chief at the Catalan regional government (Generalisat) Department of Culture: She lives in San Cugat, 12 miles from Barcelona, and will be working as usual at least part of the time. The she come to Barcelona to work I. the time. "I only come to Barcelona to work. I suppose that until the Games start, we won't really know how the traffic will be."

Al Goodman reports from Spain for National Public Radio.

### Watch Out, Disney! Anheuser-Busch Plans

By Adam Bryant
New York Times Service

EW YORK - Anheuser-Busch says it plans to open a theme park and resort near Barcelona in

The 400-acre (160-hectare) theme park, the company's first such project outside North America, will be fashioned after Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, Virginia. The villages in the Spanish park will represent life in Bolynesia Chia park Williams Polynesia.

The \$400 million project will include 31 rides, a resort, golf course, and residential

this year.
W. Randolph Baker, an Anhenser-Busch

vice president and group executive, said the park would probably draw 2.5 million to 3 million visitors a year.

Anheuser-Busch's project will comp

from a distance with Euro Disney, the \$4.4 billion theme park east of Paris set to open April 12. A Walt Disney World spokesman said a Busch park in Spain would likely complement Euro Disney. In Florida, Busch's Sea World and Busch Gardens parks help Walt Disney World draw tourists to the state, he said, .....

### The best way to plan flights is to subscribe to a hard copy or electron-ic edition of the ABC Guide (pubtives (with the conditions) or target a specific fare, or range of fares. and view the flights that offer them. the Official Airline Guide. Both publish worldwide schedules and fares updated each month (ABC You can then move back and forth between fares and schedules.

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million flights and a million fares from 700 arrines around the world. Fares are updated daily and schedules weekly. ABC claims to list 60,000 hotels and OAG 43,000. tion is clearly flagged, along with details of journey time - very important for a traveler," says Mike Mullany, director, electronic publishing, at OAG in London.

Access to ABC and OAG normally has to be made via a systems operator such as Mercury Link in Britain, Minitel in France, Deutsche Mailbox in Germany or Compu-Serve or Dialcom in the United States. OAG has a direct subscriber what time. You can either target a facility - but only in North America - for a one-time joining fee of tions, then view the fare alterna-\$25 and pay as you use. The prob-

lem when traveling is you must either hook up with a local network or make a long distance call home.

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up with electronic guides which do not require you to be on-line: ABC Travel Disc and OAG FlightDisk for use with your PC or laptop. They come as compact discs and IBM compatible diskettes respectively. Both were introduced in December. Subscribers are mailed monthly updates of flight schedules. Neither has fares or hotel availability. ABC Travel Disc will cost you £325 (about \$550) and you'll need a

CD ROM reader to run the data. But you get worldwide airline sched-ules. OAG Flight Disk costs £147; it can be loaded only once on the hard disk of up to three PCs. Schedules are limited in a similar way to the pocket guides: a North American edition lists domestic flights plus flights to other key cities; and a Europe/Africa/Middle East edition with similar limitations.

"It means flights from Hong Kong to Paris and San Francisco are there, but not Hoog Kong to Tokyo," Mullany says. "ABC does have the world bot OAG costs less and you don't oeed a CD ROM drive. We have four times the information of the pocket guides."

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### Tickets

Do buy your tickets before leaving home. Official agents, authorized by national Olympic committees, sell anything from tickets for single events to full-fledged tour packages. The agents include: Britain: Sportsworld Travel, Abingdon Oxon. Tel. (235) 554 844; fax 554 841. France: Sport Travel, Boulogne: Tel. (1) 4761 9911; fax 4761 0709. Germany: Deutsches Reiseburo GmbH

Dertour, Frankfurt. Tel. (69) 9588 3630, 9588 3637; fax. 9588 3607, 9588 3606. Haly: C.I.T. Vioggi, Rome. Tel. (6) 479 4267; fax 479 4307.

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Do check other sources for rooms.

Some one and two star hotels, described as very modest by a tourism official, still have room. The price for a single bed ranges from 6,000 to 8,000 pesetas (\$57 to \$76) per night.

### **Bed and Breekfast**

Do contact Barcelona Bed-and-Breakfast, organized by the Barcelona Olympic Organization Committee and Gremio, the local hotel association, which offers accommodations in 600 private homes. For information and reservations: contact the Barcelona Tourism Office, tel. 215 44 77; fax 215 42 76. The two agencies are creating a Banco de Camas, or Bed Bank, a service offering cheap lodgings that include beds in schools, sports halls and camping sites in and around Barcelona. A central phone number will be available from the Barcelona Tourism Office by the end of April.

### Private Agencies

Don't overlook private agencies in Barcelona that offer accommodations in private homes or bed-and-breakfast establishments. These generally require a stay of at least 10 days. Most ask for a 30 to 50 percent deposit. Alobarna, 37 Copernic, 1er, 08021 Barcelona, tel. 414 66 79. Barcelona Urbe '92, 118 Consell de Cent, 08015 Barcelona, tel. 426 26 77. Barcelona Allotjament, 12 Pelaio, Pral., 08011 Barcelona, 268 4357. Katherine Kudell Service, 460 Balmes, Entl., 08022 Barcelona, 418 64 11.

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To April 29: "Leeves of Grass." In-Cludes over 50 poem poster prints, by Paul Peter Piech, that pay homage to Walt Whitman.

Museum of the Moving Image (tel: 928.3535, ed. 415). To May 31: "Catching the Action, Muybridge and the Chronophotographers." A look at the early sequence photographers, who were the precursers of cinema.

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Prize Museum of Modern Art (tel: 718.666). To May 10: "Sounding the Depths." Mixed madia exhibition by Louise Walsh and Pauline Cummins.

The Israel Museum (tel: 708.811). To May 15: "Joseph and Zulaikha -A Love Story." Islamic miniatures and paintings from various private collections. To July 7: "Hidden Reflections." Seven International artists present new work and Installations.

### ITALY

Palazzo Grassi (tel: 52.31.680). To July 5: "Leonardo and Venice." A display of Leonardo da Vinci's draw-ings that he made while in Venice.

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Yuki Mueeum of Art (tel: 203.01.88). To June 7: "Tea Cere-mony Utensils."

### MONACO

Monte-Carlo Marise del Re Gellery (tel: 93.25,65,99). To Sept. 30: "Fernando Bottero Exposition." The Colombian artist's monumental sculptures

# NETHERLANDS

Die Nederlandae Opera (tel: 551.89.22). April 13: World première of Afred Schnittke'e "Life With an Idiot," conducted by Mstislav Rostro-

### Groningen

To April 12: "Dragon King of the Sea," Japanese decorative art from the Meiji period (1868-1912) includes bronze, lacquerwork and cloisonne enamel objects.

POLAND

National Museum in Warsaw (tel: 21.10.31). To May 31: "20th-Century Polish Art." About 200 paintings, prints, sculptures and installations comprise this exhibition that traces avant-garde trends in Polish art since the beginning of the 20th century.

Galerie de Arte (tel: 431.55.95). To April 25: "Miguel Conde." Paintings that have been described as "snatches of 'alguriticence' in the chaos...e tumble of images of people going through their daily

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Kunsthaus Zurlch (tel: 251.67.65). To April 20: "Walter de Maria." The artist'e Minimalist sculpture graces

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(tel: 621.27.66). To May 17: "The
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# **Cash Turned From Trash** To Gold in First Quarter

By Floyd Norris New York Times Service

EW YORK - "Cash," went the Wall Street refrain as 1991 ended, "is trash." So low were the prevailing interest rates on savings accounts, money market funds and Treasury bills that investors would have to mrn to the stock and bond markets to find decent returns, the conventional wisdom held.

So what happened in the first quarter of 1992? "Cash," as the financial community calls short-term investments, did better than stocks or bonds: Investors who kept their money in cash had positive returns, albeit small ones, while investors in stocks and

bonds lost money. The Standard & Poor's 500stock index, for example, fell more than 2 percent in the quarter, even after adjusting for dividend income, and J. P. Morgan's index of government bonds showed a decline of 1.6 percent, as long-term interest rates rose.:

And anyone who decided to

Many investors have barely noticed that the great bull market has paused.

stick with last year's big winners, the biotechnology stocks, could easily have lost 30 percent.

That is not to say that no stock investors did well. Those wise enough, or lucky enough, to have bought baskets of cyclical stocks, with a sprinkling of previously unloved banks, had a wonderful quarter. And the Russell 2,000 index of small stocks was up 7.3 percent, with many of the best performers among the smallest stocks, which few money managers own. The general softness of stocks did not seem to discourage

investors, however.

When March figures are in, mninal-fund buyers alone will probably have poured a record \$19 billion, or perhaps \$20 billion, into stock funds during the quarter. That would almost be enough to absorb the entire \$21.2 billion in stock offerings during the quarter, as reflected in figures from IDD Information Services.

S UCH PUBLIC ENTHUSIASM in a flat market is not exactly typical, and it reflects the fact that market has passed have barely noticed that the great bull market has passed. The Dow Jones industrial average, the index most investors notice most, touched several record highs during the quarter and was up almost 3 percent for the quarter, when dividends are

That run-up reflects a great performance by Walt Disney Co. and a big rebound in General Motors Corp., a stock that should benefit greatly from the economic recovery that Wall Street so

Moreover, the performance figures would probably look e lot better if the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, Alan Greenspan, had not moved to slash the discount rate on Dec. 20 and had waited until the new year began. When stocks soared in the final 10 sessions of 1991, it turned what had been a good year into a great one.

Byron R. Wien, the chief U.S. equity strategist for Morgan Stanley, calls it "the Greenspan curse," since money managers could have used the late December performance in their 1992 numbers but will not be able to. He thinks stocks now are likely to

For many stocks, the rally that ended in early January marked

Bob Farrell, the chief market analyst at Merrill Lynch, said 28 percent of the more than 4,000 stocks tracked by Merrill had fallen at least 20 percent from their January highs. He thinks weakness may continue for a few weeks but that a rally will start before the end of April.

There are still plenty of bulls. "This is a short-lived flat spot in an ongoing bull market," said Steve Einhorn, the co-chairman of Goldman, Sachs's investment policy committee.

Contrary to the arguments of many, Mr. Emborn said stocks were still fairly valued relative to interest rates, and he forecast that continued buying by individual investors would help push

**CURRENCY RATES** 

# In Search of Unity, EC Is Singing the Post-Maastricht Blues

By Tom Redburn International Herald Tribune

PARIS — Plagned by growing public doubts over the Maastricht agreement, leaders of the European Community are struggling to find a way to revive the spirit of European unity they achieved in December.

So far they are not having much success.

Many analysis say that the Treaty on European Union reached in the Dutch city of Maastricht, rather than submerging the differences among nations within a stronger European Community, has served to bring them to the surface. And the conflicts promise only to intensify as the EC moves to bring more nations into

"Instead of looking to the real problems of the new Europe," said Jochen Thies, editor of Europa-Archiv at the German Institute for Foreign Affairs in Bonn, "the

In Brussels, some officials acknowledge that the treaty, calling for creation of a currency union by the end of the decade and greater cooperation on defense and foreign-policy issues, may well have backfired.

The mood has become much blacker here since Maastricht," s senior EC diplomat said. "The fear is that we tried to do too much."

But rather than tapping on the brakes, the EC Commission president, Jacques Delors, is hoping that the coming enlargement of the 12-nation Community will provide new impetus to step on the gas. The enlargement includes such countries as Austria, Sweden, and Finland, followed by applications from Hungary, Poland and Czechoslovakia.

institutional streamlining to prepare for a larger

Some analysts, however, say that it is becoming increasingly difficult to envision how Brussels will reconcile the long-standing dream of an ever-deeper European Community with the wider Europe of the

"There are already tremendous frictions within the European Council on budgetary matters, social policy, you name it," said Jeffrey E. Garten, managing director at The Blackstone Group, a New York-based investment bank, and enthor of a forthcoming book on international economic conflicts. "And as you The EC Commission is expected to propose at the bring even more different systems under the same

Maastricht summit will probably stand as the last Lisbon summit meeting in June that the Community roof, that has to lead to a loosening and slowing of the hurrals of the old generation." integration process."

There are big gambles ahead.

The Maastricht agreement, designed to bring about s single currency that would help weld the economies of EC nations closer together, may instead end up pulling them apart.

Today, when Italians, Germans, Spaniards or the French are dissatisfied with their economy, they tend to take out their frustrations on their own leaders. But s European currency managed by a European central bank would focus national discontent on the Community, where economic problems might trigger a much

wider political backlash. The treaty was also aimed at meshing the ambitions

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# Banking Secrecy **Diluted**

### **Duchy Convicts** 2 in Drug Case

By Charles Goldsmith

International Herald Tribune
BRUSSELS — Ending a closely
watched trial in which Luxembourg shed some of the mantle of
banking secrecy, a court there sentenced two Colombian businessmen Thursday to prison terms of 5 years and of 54 months for laundering \$36 million in drug money.

A third man was acquitted for lack of evidence in the five-month trial, which authorities said sent a message that the grand duchy was serious about cracking down on questionable banking activities. Such practices have often given Luxembourg e notorious reputation in international financial circles. We hope this makes the crimi-

nals understand that we do not want their money," said Etienne Schmit, deputy prosecuting attor-ney for the country of 380,000

people.

A three-judge panel sentenced Edgar Garcia Mantillo, 45, to 5 years in prison, the maximum allowed, and fined him 10 million Luxembourg francs (\$295,000). Franklin Jurado, 43, was sentenced to 54 months in prison and was fined 5 million francs. Attorneys for the men said they would appeal. Ricardo Mahecha Bustos, 49, was acquitted.

"You say it's a verdict, we say it's a scandal," said Jean-Jacques Schonkert, an attorney for Mr. Jur-

HONG KONG — Li Ka-shing, amount of intinence in riong Kong the Hong Kong businessman, announced Thursday that he would bank," said Alan Wong, banking Mr. Schonkert said the court had Shanghai Banking Corp. and its parent company, HSBC Holdings interest in the Cheung Kong (Holdings) PLC, in a move that analysts said ings) group of investment companies. unfairly rejected much of the defendants' evidence, and he complained that the country's bank-

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# A Plea From the Top for Tokyo Stocks

A Crumbling Market

Tokyo — Japan wimessed the peculiar ritual Thursday of Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa urging leaders of his country's securities industry to come to the

aid of their own equities market. The appeal came amid growing fears that the stock-market slump threatened to hinder the nation's economic recovery, as well as Mr. Miyazawa's party's chances at

elections this July.

It also came on the day when the Tokyo stock market's main

Japanese bond prices plunged in panicky trading. Page 15.

Nikkei sverage fell again in vola-tile trading, losing 1.6 percent. The Nikkei plummeted to just above the 18,000-point level for the first time in more than five years, before spiking back up 295.76 points, to elose st 18,286.03, the lowest level since December 1986. It was the market's third straight decline in s streak that has shaved more than 7 percent off the index, which now stands below half its peak level of December 1989.

Mr. Miyazawa asked the securities industry to call on corporations to raise their dividend payments and take other measures to restore confidence and encourage investment in stocks.

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His comments to the president leaders of Japan's main business of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the chairman of the Securities Dealers Association followed vague promises earlier in the day from leaders of the governing

Liberal Democratic Party that new measures were forthcoming to revive the market. "Our biggest headache is the stock-market slump," Yoshiro Mori, the chairman of the LDP's

In Blow to Hongkong Bank, Li to Leave Board

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organizations on Thursday.

But the governing party's ac-tions were dismissed as little more than attempts to restore creasingly blamed for the mar-ket's decline, "They thought they could separate the bubble and the real economies," said a senior analyst at e major Japanese research

cil, said during his meeting with ket is growing, despite a relatively

director of Hongkong Bank since

1980 and deputy chairman since 1985. HSBC said he was retiring to

devote more time to his other busi-

ness and personal interests.

deep cut in the discount rate to 3.75 percent from 4.5 percent on Wednesday and a fiscal stimulus program announced Tuesday. Economists say these measures will set the stage for e return to modest and steady growth late this year, if well below the government's 3.5 percent forecast.

But they are too little, too Iste, to boost sentiment on the stock market, where, as Mr. Miyazawa conceded, plunging prices threat-en to poison the market's central function - corporate fund-raising. Alternative sources of finance are limited because the corporete bond market is underdeveloped and benks. struggling to meet capital-adequacy requirements of the Bank for International Settlements, are reluctant to lend.

The market decline also frightens the scandal-plagued LDP. which faces s tough election for upper house seats in July. In an economy where for decades the only interruptions in economie growth were due to external factors such as the oil crisis, individual investors who have seen the value of their stock portfolios dwindle are beginning to point the finger of blame.

"Voters will say the nation's leaders are inducing the downturn and ask, 'How can we trust them?," said Cornelia Meyer, e political analyst st Union Bank

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A bank spokesman said the de-sway from Hong Kong and the surrounding region ahead of the

# **Deutsche Lobbies EC Bank**

### Wants a German To Head 'Eurofed'

By Richard E. Smith

International Herald Tribune
FRANKFURT — Deutsche Bank, Germany's largest bank, lent its voice on Thursday to the growing chorus in Germany calling for the new European central bank to be located in Frankfurt. But it went e step further, saying that the bank's first chief should be e German.

The appeal was issued at the bank's annual news conference, at

German inflation jumps. Page 13.

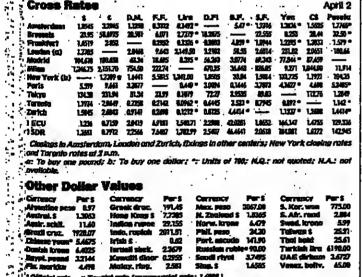
which Deutsche Bank also announced record results for 1991. A beated debate has erupted in Germany about the dangers of losing the Deutsche mark and the stability it symbolizes as a result of the

transition to monetary union that the 12 European Community states mapped out in December in the Dutch city of Maastricht. A board member, Ulrich Cartellieri, said at the news conference that the crucial task of persuading Germans to accept a common cur-rency "is less likely to be achieved by way of elaborate explanations of complicated treaty texts, no matter

how convincing they may be, than through establishing the European central bank in Frankfurt with, st least in the beginning, a German at A number of European cities are ompeting fiercely to be chosen as

the site for the bank, which is to be founded at the end of the decade. Deutsche Bank said group oper-

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To the unitholders of **CS PRIME METAL** 

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Luxembourg, 31 March 1992 

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But some analysts said Li's loss

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# Tokyo Woes Spook Investors in U.S.

NEW YORK — Stocks fell Thursday on the New York Stock Exchange amid concerns about the deteriorating Japanese stock mar-

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ket and the release of the U.S. employment report for March. The Dow Jones industrial average, which gained 13.86 points

### N.Y. Stocks

Wednesday, fell 15.21 points to 3.234.12, according to an unofficial tally. Among the broad gauges, the New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 2.45 to 220.97 while Standard & Poor's 500-stock

index dropped 4.92 to 399.31. Declines overwhelmed advances 11-to-5, while volume was 182.7 million shares, compared with 186.2 million Wednesday.

"A lot of people sold stock late in positions that have been badly de-pleted in recent weeks," said John

Blair, director of trading at County

NatWest Securities. Trading was active despite reservations about Friday's release of the March employment report, which typically provides the most accurate snapshot of the economy.

"People are starting to worry about Japan," said James An-drews, first vice president in charge of institutional trading at Janney Montgomery Scott. They don't want to be caught off-guard if the weakness in Japan carries over into our market."

Tokyo's Nikkei 225-stock index established a five-year low overnight when it fell 1.6 percent on increasing concerns about the country's economic future. U.S. stocks have all hut ignored the

slump so far. The five most actively traded stocks were Price Co., Amgen Inc., the day in an effort to rehuild cash CMS Energy Corp., Immunex Corp. and Tele-communications Class A shares.

# Concerns on Jobs Data **Weigh Down the Dollar**

NEW YORK - The dollar ended lower Thursday as traders and investors had second thoughts about whether the U.S. March employment figures due out Friday would show much economic strength.

The dollar was hurt by news that initial johless claims jumped 9,000

### Foreign Exchange

in the week ended March 21, traders and analysts said.

At the close, the U.S. currency was quoted at 1.6441 Deutsche marks, down from 1.6513 DM on Wednesday, and at 133.73 yen, down from 134.55 year.

It also fell to 1,5014 Swiss francs from 1,5085 francs and to 5,5815 francs from 5,5990 francs. The British pound closed at \$1,7309, up from \$1.7265.

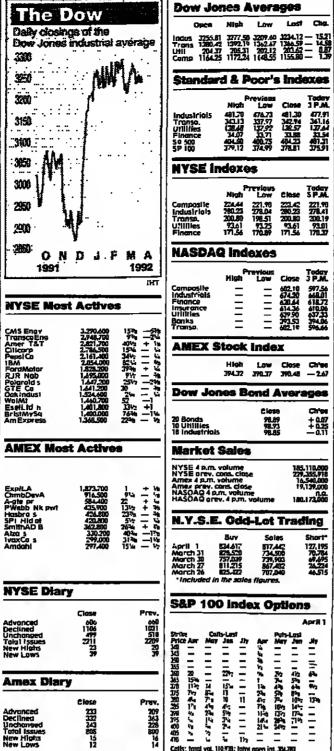
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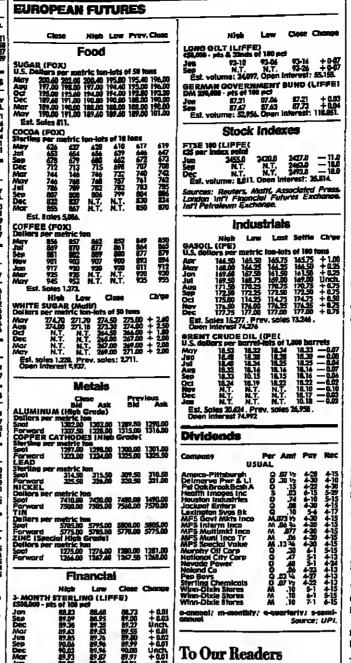
nomic recovery. The higher-than-expected jobless claims were one such sign. Another was the decline in the National Association of Purchasing Management's employment index to 428 percent in March from 44.5

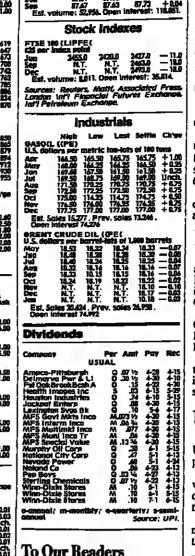
percent in Fehruary. Analysis, on average, said they expected U.S. payrolls to have risen hy 47,000 in March, following the unexpectedly large 164,000 jump in February.

Dollar investors now want 'signs of sustainability" of the recent pickup in U.S. production, Mr. Blance said. Only a rise in employment and real incomes will prompt the long-awaited consumer led recovery, and that makes the jobs

Analysts said the dollar was also under pressure against the mark from speculation that the Bundeslan Blance, an economist at Nik-ko Europe, said there were signs rise in its Lombard rate, now at that U.S. payrolls were unchanged 9.75 percent, to choke off high in March, which would disappoint monetary growth and inflation.







Because of the seven-hour time difference between New York and Paris until April 5, some items in the Market Diary are from 3 P.M. New York time instead of the usual 4 P.M., or from the previous day's

We regret the inconvenience, which is necessary to meet distribu-tion requirements. All editions will again carry closing prices and in-dexes after April 5, when Daylight Saving Time begins in the United

### **Factory Orders Advance** NEW YORK (IHT) — Factory orders rose in February for the second successive month, the Commerce Department reported Thursday, but most of the gain was in nondurable goods, and inventories continued to decline. The February gain in orders was 0.5 percent, a rise held back by an I percent decline in defense orders. The 0.3 percent decline in inventories was the lifth successive monthly fall, indicating that businesses have not regained sufficient confidence to start restocking. The Labor Department, meanwhile, reported that new applications for The Labor Department, meanwhite, reported that new approximans for unemployment pay rose by 9,000 during the week ended March 21. The four-week average rose to 448,750 from 444,000, indicating that Friday, closely watched March unemployment report will not show a broyant.

# GM Seeks Buyer for Allison Division

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — General Motors Corp. announced Than day that it was seeking a buyer for its Allison Gas Turbine division.

The move is part of the automaker's plans to sell off operations that at imrelated to its core business. Allison Gas Turbine develops, manufacture and components. tures and markets aircraft engines and components, marine power systems, locomotive parts, precision bearings and gears. It employs about 6,500 workers in Indianapolis.

F. Blake Wallace, general manager of Allison Gas Turbine, said the company would seek out buyers from businesses that already designed and built gas turbine engines.

### **Hoechst Is Sued Over Cancer Drug**

SEATTLE (AFX) — Immunex Corp. said Thursday that it was filing suit against Hoechst AG and its Behringwerke AG and Hoechst Roused Pharmaceuticals Inc. subsidiaries, alleging breach of contract, business interference and unfair competition in the marketing of the compound GM-CSF, which is used to treat bone cancer.

Immunex said it had collaborated with Behringwerke to develop GM. CSF under a 1985 collaboration and product-license agreement. In 1989 Behringwerke assigned rights to market GM-CSF to its U.S. affiliate, Hoechst Roussel Pharmaccuricals, Immunex said.

Immunex makes GM-CSF for Hoechst and markets GM-CSF unithe trade name Leukine. The suit alleges that the Heechst units acted to injure Immunex by shipping large quantities of Hoechst GM-CSF as free samples to Immunex's hospital customers.

### U.S. Steel Chief Sees Quarterly Loss:

PITTSBURGH (Reuters) - Thomas Usher, president of USX Corp.'s PITTSBURGH (Reuters) — Thomas Usher, president of USX Corp.; U.S. Steel Group, said Thursday that the company was close to turning a profit but would prohably post a first-quarter loss.

"We're not far away from profitability." Mr. Usher said in an interview, although he added that he expected "a loss position" for the first quarter. Declining to be more specific on first-quarter results, he said he thought the company would turn a profit in some quarter of 1992.

Mr. Usher said U.S. Steel, which ships more steel than any other U.S. manufacturer was unlikely to stick with a 5 percent steel mice increase.

manufacturer, was unlikely to stick with a 5 percent steel price increase that would have been effective April 5.

### **KeyCorp Set to Buy Bank Branches**

SAN FRANCISCO (Renters) — KeyCorp and WestOne Bancorp said Thursday that they had signed definitive agreements to acquire bank branches and other assets and deposits in Oregon and Washington from

BankAmerica Corp. and Security Pacific Corp.

KeyCorp will acquire 48 Security Pacific hranches with about \$1.5 billion in deposits and about \$700 million in loans. WestOne will acquire 38 Security Pacific branches with about \$1.3 billion in deposits and about \$800 million in loans. In a separate transaction, WestOne will acquire three BankAmerica branches in Oregon with deposits totaling about \$54

The Federal Reserve Board has approved the BankAmerica merger subject to certain conditions, including the signing of definitive divesi-

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# AIRLINES: France, U.S. Fly at Each Other Over Trans-Atlantic Traffic

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(Continued from page 1) ing capacity so sharply this year.
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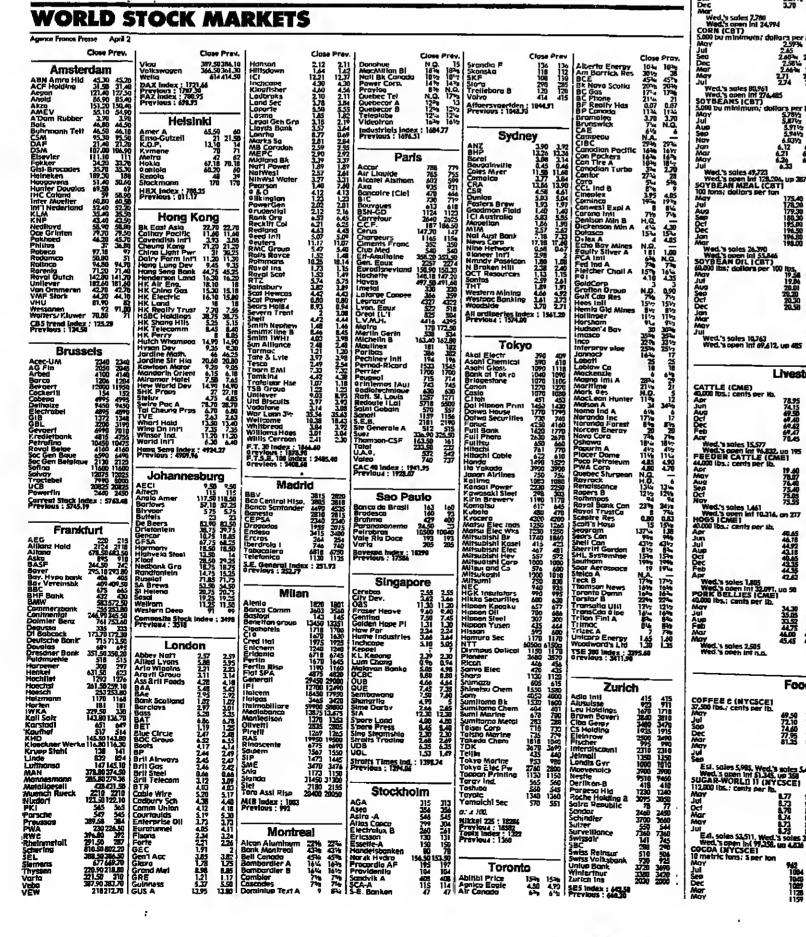
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# West German Inflation Jumps to 4.7%

WIESBADEN, Germany ---Inflation in Western Germany rose to a 4.7 percent annual rate m March, from 4.3 percent in February, the Federal Statistics Office reported Thursday.

Economists had predicted the sharp rise, attributing it to an increase in tobacco taxes and a low 1991 base level. Many analysts said they expected inflation to peak at the current level.

The rate was the highest since the 4.7 percent rate recorded in November 1982.

The monthly inflation rate was 0.3 percent in March, down from 0.6 percent in February.

The data came as Economics Minister Jürgen Möllemann announced the launch of a roundtable aimed at reducing inflation.

Mr. Möllemann, in an interview published Thursday in the Stuttearter Nachrichten daily, proposed what he called "concerted action" for this autumn that would seek to forge a dialogue among federal, state and district authorities, employers and unions. The aim would be to

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the those of the rest of Western Eu-

of a newly remaited Germany with

many and Prime Minister John

those leaders went home from the

summit meeting claiming victory.

But some of the central hopes of

Maastricht's progenitors were

"They wanted a seamless Com-

munity," said Jim Rollo, director of

European economic studies at the

Royal Institute of International

Thursday's Closing

late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

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Affairs in London, "Instead, Mass-

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### **Bundesbank Profit Hits Record**

FRANKFURT - The Bundesbank said Thursday it was transferring a record 14.46 billion Deutsche marks (\$8.8 billion) of its 1991 profit to the Bonn government, which is desperately in need of cash to rebuild Eastern Germany.

The sum is well above the 7 billion DM Bonn had projected in its budget and should aid in covering the costs of reunification. The Bundesbank's total profit was 15.21 billion DM, slightly above analysts' predictions of 14 to 15 billion DM, and up 67 percent from the central bank's 1990 profit of 9.11 billion DM. In that year, 8.27 billion DM was transferred to Bonn.

The administration of Chancellor Helmut Kohl has received more than 80 billion DM in transfers from the Bundesbank since it took power in 1982.

for a policy committed to growth

and stability."
Mr. Möllemann expressed renewed concern about inflation, saying the figure of "4.5 percent or somewhat more, in federal

terms, is clearly too high." The government is struceling to keep pay raises to less than 5 percent. Steelworkers have obtained a 6.34 percent increase, which appears to be the bench-mark sought by millions of pubhe-sector workers and bank em-

ices Quarterly La DOUBTS: In Search of Unity, EC Is Singing the Post-Maastricht Blues

tricht has embedded the whole idea

of a two-tier or multilayer Europe.

come the democratic deficit. But if

anything, the treaty has given even

more power to central bankers and

"The irony is that Maastricht, in

many ways, may have turned out

almost exactly the reverse of what

its architects originally intended."

Now, as the process of ratifica-

tion of the European summit agree-

ment gets under way, approval is

no longer seen as a simple rubber-

stamping operation. Largely be-

cause of a shaky economic climate

and aging leadership, many of Europe's once popular politicians are

In Germany, despite broad sup-

port for the Maastricht pact within

major political parties, Bonn con-

fronts a grass-roots rebellion over

its European policy. The agree-ment, widely viewed by outsiders

as a symbol of Germany's assertion

of its economic leadership of Eu-

rope, bas produced an almost

schizophrenic reaction among Ger-

complaints that he failed to push

On one side, Mr. Kohl faces

other technocrats.

They promised to help over-

Mr. Möllemann also called for belt-tightening and a new effort to reduce subsidies.

The statistics office also announced final inflation figures for February, showing that prices rose 0.6 percent from January and 4.3 percent from February 1991. The figures had been delayed slightly because the office was working on a recalculation of the base index using 1991 prices.

A statistics office spokesman said the figures for March were

who say the costs of German inte-

gration and European unity have

simply become too heavy to bear.

Many of the complaints come from

In France, meanwhile, voters reg-

istered a strong protest in recent

elections not only against the aging leadership of President François

Mitterrand but also against the well-

worn politicians of the moderate

right. Torn by public fear of immi-

grants, Patis is gearing up for a bitter debate over a seemingly in-

nocuous provision that would allow

EC nationals to vote in municipal

and European parliamentary elec-

tions no matter where they are liv-

And in Denmark, where voters

will be asked on June 2 whether

they approve of the Maastricht

agreement, opinion polls currently

register widespread opposition to

There is still a good chance that all EC nations will end up approv-

ing the treaty this year. But a real

possibility exists that it could be

rejected in Denmark, or even in

France if President Mitterrand is

forced to put the issue to a popular

vote. In Britain, a vigorous parlia-

other, he must contend with those the Maastricht summit meeting, started calling for a "Euro-mark,"

the treaty.

the same people.

still based on 1985 prices. Final March figures are expected in about 10 days.

Another report showed an improvement in the German trade picture. The government said Thursday that the nation's trade surplus surged to 2.2 billion Deutsche marks (\$1.33 billion) in February, from 100 million DM in January.

Imports fell 2.9 percent from a month earlier, to 52.75 billion DML and exports rose 1.1 percent to 54.97 billion DM.

The German current-account deficit, which includes such socalled invisible items as shipping, insurance and tourism, also nar rowed. The deficit totaled 2 billion DM in February, compared with 6.7 billion DM in January. the statistics office said, citing provisional figures.

Alex Magona, German market analyst at Map Securities in London, said the 4.5 percent rise in exports from a year earlier was "a very good sign indeed."

"But it's a hit worrying that imports are keeping pace." he said. Imports in February were 5.5 percent higher than a year (Reuters, AFP)

Britain is one of the few countries

in which the ratification process is

But to achieve approval, Euro

enthusiasts could end up under-

mining their own goals. In place of

their earlier, more idealistic paeans

to European unity, political leaders

have responded to the rising doubts

with a new drumbeat emphasizing

For example, Prime Minister Anibal Cavaco Silva of Portugal, who currently occupies the EC's

rotating presidency, warns that

some opposition parties in Lisbon

are threatening to throw their

weight against ratification of the

Maastricht treaty if the Communi-

ty does not accept a spending pack-

Spain hints that it may block EC

enlargement unless it gets more

The greatest turnaround has

Key architects of the agreement,

such as Foreign Minister Hans-

Dietrich Genscher, no longer refer

to the proposed common currency

been in Germany.

self-interested nationalism.

likely to be relatively easy.

### strong balance sheet position. Redland, the largest huilding-

million in 1990, was not a surprise.

as the company had made its finan-

cial position clear during the fight

However, Redland shares rose

13 pence to 463 pence because of

to win control of Steetley PLC.

Reuters

of hope for 1992

materials company in Britain, won the takeover battle last month and said Thursday that it had already started work on merging the two

It said during the takeover battle that it expected to rationalize the combined husiness, reducing the overcapacity that was plaguing the sector and resulting in annual cost savings of up to £30 million, plus

substantial tax advantages. These benefits are among factors

lysts to predict a rebound in 1992 LONDON - Redland PLC. profit to around £230 million.

which recently acquired a major Gerald Corbett, the company's rival in a takeover battle, said finance director, said Redland did Thursday that 1991 pretax profit not make forecasts on future proffell 24 percent but that it saw signs its. But he noted that Redland would not allow market analysis to Redland's announcement that take such a positive view if it were

**Redland Profit Slides** 

**But Outlook Is Upbeat** 

pretax profit totaled £186 million greatly out of line with reality. (\$320.8 million), down from £245 He said a strong balance sheet with gearing — the ratio of borrowings to shareholders' funds — of 10 percent as of Dec. 31, and the fact that the group now depended only slightly on the weak British market,

provided grounds for optimism.

the generally upbeat statement Redland is in a better position about prospects for 1992 and its than its British rivals "because we are broadly spread around the world, because of our very strong balance sheet and because of the Steetley benefits which will be coming through," Mr. Corbett said in an interview

> Redland said the British market was showing no signs of underlying recovery, although revenue was higher earlier this year because of favorable weather.

But there were signs of improvement in its U.S. and Australian markets, and construction activity

### that have encouraged market anaremained high in Germany. Sun Alliance Posts £466 Million Loss

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

LONDON — Sun Alliance Group PLC said Thursday that its 1991 pretax loss widened sharply, to £466.2 million (\$804 million), from £180.9

The results were no worse than had been signaled in December, however, and the company said a recovery in its hattered markets was clearly in sight. But Sun Alliance noted that the immediate outlook in the insurance market remained difficult.

Sun Alliance, the largest insurance company in Britain, was hit hard by losses totaling £320 million on mortgage insurance, a major problem in the falling British housing market. A sharp rise in crime-related claims and housing-subsidence claims caused by Britain's unusually dry weather also bit deeply into reserves.

### **DEUTSCHE:** Ideas for EC Bank

(Continued from first finance nage) net profit rose 32 percent, to 1,41 billion DM. The dividend for 1991 was raised I DM from last year's

age that calls for increased aid for the southern rim of Europe. And payout, to 15 DML The hank said it was confident about the profit outlook for 1992. Deutsche Bank's results underlined the power of the German economy and banking system in a year when U.S., Japanese and Brit-

ish banks had notable problems, Dresdner Bank and Commerzbank, the two other major German banks, are expected to announce

by its widely accepted name, the similar results next week. political union far enough. On the mentary debate took place before Ecu. Instead, German leaders have Deutsche Bank said that 84 percent of risks in some 60 countries were covered by reserves. Although 12 Month
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the committee of Western creditor hanks, it said its exposure to the successor states was "clearly der I hillion DM, with less than 100 million DM uninsured.

The bank also gave details of a program to monitor the misuse of insider information within the bank. A staff of 55 will compile lists of sensitive stocks and follow transactions carried out by Deutsche Bank personnel to detect foul play.

Deutsche Bank fired two staff members earlier this year after irregularities were discovered in securities deals. Frankfurt prosecutors are investigating several hundred deals from various companies for evasion of taxes on inthe former Soviet Union and leads come from securities transactions.

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### IN THE MATTER OF WHO HOLDINGS LIMITED (Formerly Butlers Bank Limited, formerly Churchill's

Bank Limited) (in Voluntary Liquidation Under the Supervision of the Court)

of the said Company at the offices of KPMG Pear Marwick, Centreville House, Collins Avenue, P.O. Box Nº 123. Nassau, Bahamas and If so required by notice in writing from the undersigned, to come in and prove such debts or claims, or indefault thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such claims are proved.

M.H. FIELDER - Official Liquidator

### violation, defense lawyers cited the fact that banks tipped off authori-

**SECRECY: 2 Drug Convictions** 

secrecy laws had been violated, "because the authorities could only have known some of these facts if the banks hroke their secrecy As further evidence of secrecy

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ties before any official investigation had been launched. The prosecutors deny the charges. Mr. Schmit said that Luxembourg had tightened its money-

laundering laws in advance of Eu-ropean Community legislation enacted last year, which allows bank secrecy to be lifted to permit money-laundering inquiries.

In the case, authorities seized ac- foreign officials for its implications counts in 33 banks in Luxembourg. throughout the 12-nation EC.

Austria, Denmark, Finland, Britain. France, Hungary, Italy and Monaco, maintaining that the accounts had been set up hy the three defendants in order to launder drug

"It was a very complicated case," Mr. Schmit said. "There were many elements to prove. You must prove that the money came from drug trafficking and that the accused were aware of the origin of the money. It was the first trial of its kind in Luxembourg, and in certain

ways the first one in Europe." A Western diplomat said that the trial was the first pure drug-money laundering trial in Europe, and that it had thus been closely watched hy

### CAPITAL INTERNATIONAL FUND

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DIVIDEND NOTICE

At the Annual General Meeting held on March 31, 1992, it was decided to pay a dividend of USD 1,05 (one dolfor and five cents) per shore on/or ofter April 15, 1992 to shoreholders of record on Morch 31, 1992 and to holders of bearer shores upon presentation of coupon nr 23. The ex-dividend dote is April 02, 1992.

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· Procordia AB said it was placing its SARA hotel chain, currently operating at a loss, in a new travel and hotel group to be owned with the Swedish retail co-operative KF; the new group will seek a market listing. British Telecommunications PLC awarded a \$2.5 million, five-year contract to Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Media Laboratory to

develop computerized tools to "see" and "understand" images. Juerg Marquard Holding AG, a Swiss publishing concern, said it had bought a majority stake in a Hungarian daily newspaper that was part of the late Robert Maxwell's financial empire.

• Lasmo PLC's Canadian subsidiary will become the first to produce oil commercially off Canada's east coast later this year.

 Skoda Pilsen, Czechoslovakia's largest engineering group, said it had signed a joint-venture deal with Secheron of Switzerland to produce parts for electrical traction engines, trolley huses and tramways.

 Vereinigte Elektrizitätswerke Westfalen AG said 1991 group after-tax profit slipped to 165 million Deutsche marks (\$100 million), from 171 illion DM, while sales rose to 6,73 hillion DM, from 6,33 hillion DM.

# **EC Examines Procter's Diaper Share**

BRUSSELS - The EC Commission said Thursday that the U.S. consumer-goods company Procter & Gamble may have won too big a share of the EC's hahy diaper market and might have to relax its grip.

Procter & Gamhle Co., hased in Cincinnati, needs Commission approval for three joint ventures with the Italian firm Finaf SpA, which have been up and running since January in Portugal, Spain and Italy. Reversing a positive announcement made last year, the Commission

said it had fresh evidence suggesting that the U.S. company had a bigger market share than first thought. Procter & Gamble said it was surprised hy the sudden change of stance but was willing to negotiate a solution.

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Equity side

NOTICE is hereby given that the creditors of the above-named Company are required, on or before May L. 1992, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims to Mr. Michael H. Fielder, Liquidator

DATED this 30th day of March, 1992

### FL TRUST SWITZERLAND

Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable - SICAV 14, boulevard Emmanuel Servais L - 2535 LUXEMBOURG R.C. Luxembourg B 33.846

Shareholders are hereby convened to attend the Statutory General Meeting of the Shareholders, which will take place at the company's registered office in Luxenibourg on April 15, 1992 at 15:00 for the purpose of considering and voting upon the following points:

AGENDA OF THE STATUTORY GENERAL MEETING Reports of the Board of Directors and of the Independent Auditor.

Approval of the Financial Statements made up for the December 31, 1991.

Discharge to the Directors and to the Independant Auditor. Statutory Appointments. Miscellaneous.

Resolutions on the agenda of the Statutory General Meeting will require no quorum and will be taken at the majority of the votes expressed by the

Shareholders who cannot arend the meeting are invited to send a proxy to the registered office to arrive not later than April 10, 1992. Proxy forms will be sent to registered shareholders. Proxy forms may also be obtained from the registered office.

The owners of bearer shares will have to deposit their shares five clear days before the meetings at Banque Ferrier Lullin (Luxembourg) S.A., 14, boulevard Emmanuel Servaie, L - 2535 Luxembourg.

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Messieurs les actionnaires sont convoqués par le présent avit à L'ASSEMBLÉE GÉNÉRALE DES ACTIONNAIRES qui se tiendra au siège social à Luxembourg le 21 avril 1992 à 11 heures. avec l'ordre du jour suivant :

ORDRE DU JOUR

Approbation du rapport de gestion du Conseil d'Administra-Approbation du rapport du Réviseur d'Entreprises;

3. Adoption des comples de l'exercice en 31 décembre 1991; 4. Affectation du résultat de l'exercice:

5. Décharge aux administrateurs: 6. Réélection des administrateurs sortants;

Les résolutions des actionnaires lors de l'Assemblée Générale Ordinaire seroni vuices à une majorité simple des actionnaires présents et votants. Chaque action a un droit de vote.

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Thursday, but an Emerson spokes-

man said the company could not

respond in time. The Fidenas presi-

China to Admit Lawyers

HONG KONG — The Chinese government is expected soon to allow foreign lawyers to set up offices in some major cities, an official newspaper reported Thursday.

The English-language China Daily quoted sources within the Minis-

try of Justice as saying that the decision was intended to increase legal

protection for overseas investment. "This is for the sake of foreign

investors who naturally have more faith in lawyers from their own countries," a ministry official said, according to the report.

Foreign lawyers would be allowed to set up operations on a trial

basis in major cities, such as Shanghai and Beijing, where foreign

The newspaper said the foreign lawyers would mainly be allowed to focus on law consultation and liaison. It said the ministry would

publish a set of rules clearly stipulating the areas of business in which the lawyers will be allowed to practice.

investment is relatively concentrated, China Daily said.

see what happens," he said.

# When a Career Is Forever In Japan, Starting Work Is Like Marrying

By T.R. Reid Vashington Post Service

TOKYO The opening chords of "Nippon Deaki Cosporate Authern" washed over a sea of earnest, eager young faces, and 1,400 people in dark business suits rose to join in a vigorous rendition of what would henceforth be their own company song: "To build a culture of ication shall be our destiny! Nippon, Nippon, Nippon Den-kil!"

There followed pep talks from the chairman and the president the distribution of company lapel pins and name cards, and finally the recital of the corpoembled young people official employees of the computer and electronics giant known here as Nippon Denki KK (Nippon Electric Corp.) and around the world by its English initials,

It was all carried out in senous, almost somber style. That was fitting, because what hap-pened here Wednesday is one of the crucial rites of the Japanese year, a defining moment that helps mold the sense of group membership at the heart of this homogenous society.

At NEC and hundreds of other companies all over Japan, April I each year is the day for

the nyushashiki, or "enteringthe-company ceremony."
Roughly I million new graduates who finished high school or college last month started jobs Wednesday that will last, in most cases, for the rest of their work-

"Americaos tell me that there's nothing like this event in your society," said Makoto Maruyama, general manager of NEC's personnel division. "But in America, you have a marriage ceremony, don't you? This is a similar thing. These new entrants have become members of the NEC family now."

The songs, speeches and pledges marked a mutual pledge of loyalty. The employees will do what the company orders, and the company will watch out for the employees in good times and bad, virtually guaranteeing that they will never face a layoff and will not be dismissed for anything short of outright crime.

The NEC recruits will be paid \$1,440 per month, at the top tier of Japanese starting salaries, with yearly increases based strictly on seniority. About half of them will live in corporate dormitories for just \$150 per month, far below market rents.

They will all wear their NEC lapel pins, use NEC health centers, vacation at NEC resorts.

play on NEC sports teams and join the NEC company union. They will all have accounts at Sumitomo Bank, because NEC is a member of the Sumitomo keiretsu, or corporate grouping.
In short, they will belong to

"I feel really good now," said Chibiro Nakae, 23, who graduated last week from the prestigious Kyoto University. "I emjoyed the ceremony today. NEC was my first choice, it's such a good com-

pany — and now I'm in it."

"A job in Japan," wrote the
Asian scholar Edwin O. Reischauer, "is not merely a contractual arrangement for pay, but means of identification with a larger entity, a satisfying sense of being part of something big and significant which brings a sense of security and also pride in loyalty to the firm."

For the NEC recruits here, most of whom were goofing around in jeans at some off-campus bar or pinball parlor less than a month ago, the need to follow orders became apparent even before the start of the ceremony Wednesday morning.

As dictated in NEC's 320-page corporate etiquette manual, "The Business Manner," the new recruits of both sexes showed up virtually uniformly dressed in conservative dark suits.

### Tokyo Bonds Semi-Tech and Emerson Plummet in Set Marketing Accord Stocks' Wake International Herald Tribune

TOKYO - The ripple effect of heavy losses in Tokyo stock prices this week and fears of a weakening yen induced near-panic selling Thursday in the Japanese government bond market, dealers said.

The plunge in bond prices was also linked to fears that some foreien hivestors were liquidating yen boldings for fear of further depreciation in the currency. As bond prices fell amid the tur-

moil in the financial markets, the retailing unit, Consumers Distribvield on the benchmark 129th cash bond briefly hit a high of 5,710 percent, the highest level since Dec.

Key June yen bond futures touched a record low of 101.14, the maker that pitted Semi-Tech lowest level since the bond became the benchmark issue. Both cash bond and yen-bond

futures prices climbed above afternoon lows in late trade on dealer short-covering, but the gains were not coovincing, dealers said. "Today's bond-market turmoil originated in the stock market,"

said Kenji Iguchi, portfolio manag-er at Asahi Investment Trust Man-The Nikkei average dropped another 295.76 points Thursday, to close at 18,286.03, its lowest level

since December 1986. On Wednesday, the stock market was unimpressed by the Bank of Japan's 0.75 percentage point cut in its official discount rate, to 3.75 percent, and dived more than 700 points.

"Gains in yen bond prices, which had been accumulated over a peri-od of a month in anticipation of a discount-rate out, were largely lost in the two days after the rate was cut," said Toshiaki Kitahara, analyst at Okasan Securities Co.

Middle Eastern investors and Southeast Asian central banks were rumored to have sold yen bonds heavily as they switched some of their portfolios to foreign-currency-denominated assets.

Fears of the yen's slide to around 137 to the dollar because of unstable financial-market conditions might have encouraged them to liquidate ven bonds," said Mr. Isnchi.

The dollar ended at 134.77 yen in Tokyo on Thursday, after closing at 134.55 in New York.

By Laurence Zuckerman ment for Semi-Tech to buy a controlling stake for \$30 million.

As compensation, Emerson of-HONG KONG - Semi-Tech fered Semi-Tech \$1 million in cash (Global) Ltd., the fast-growing and stock. It also agreed to issue consumer-electronics retailer, said Semi-Tech one million four-year Thursday that it was ending its warrants at an exercise price of year-long bid to acquire control of \$4.00 and another 500,000 five-Emerson Radio Corp. of the Unityear warrants at \$4.00 that are good only if Semi-Tech purchases \$40 million worth of Emerson Instead, the two companies annonnced a sales agreement under

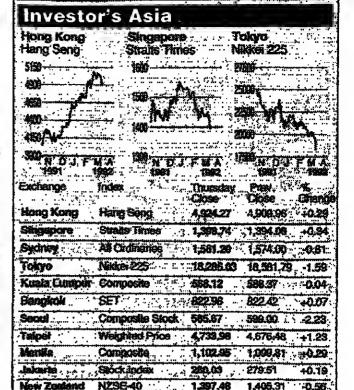
which Semi-Tech, which is based in Gerald Zarin, Emerson's chair-Hong Kong, will distribute Emerman, president and chief executive. son computer and audio products said both companies would benefit in the United States through its from the new deal. "In Singer, Emerson is able to move forward with uting Inc., and market them outa strong customer that has an exside the United States under its tensive global distribution network. Singer, in turn, will have a direct The deal appeared to end a conrelationship with one of the leading test for the troubled electronics consumer-electronics companies to supply merchandise for its worldagainst Fidenas Investment Ltd., wide retail outlets," he said.

products over the next five years.

Mr. Zarin also said Emerson which has been hobbled by \$200 to \$250 million in debt, was now examining various ways of restructuring - either by itself or by taking in a new equity partner.

The unraveling of Semi-Tech's offer was widely expected by Hong Kong analysts, who generally praised the new agreement.

dent, Geoffrey Jurick, declined to "It gives them a lot of flexibilisay whether the offer would be exty," said Maisie Cheung, an analyst at Baring Securities (H.K.) Ltd. "If tended. "It's something we're discussing with them. We'll have to things go well with Emerson, than Semi-Tech can enjoy the upside, Emerson and Semi-Tech announced jointly that they were terand if things don't go so well it minating their June 1991 agree- doesn't have any risk at all."



### **Very briefly:**

 Malaysia has taken over the Sabah Gas Utilization Project and wiped out its 2.7 billion ringgit (\$1.05 billion) debt in a step to restructure one of the country's last sick state industrial projects.

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The Economist, the British publisher, and Diamond Inc. of Japan agreed

to jointly publish a Japanese-language business magazine. Ugine, a French steelmaker, and Prayuth Mahagitsiri of Thailand have begun construction of a factory to make stainless steel at Rayong.

southern Thailand, with a planned capacity of 60,000 metric tons a year. • The Shenzhen Stock Exchange may cut the number of foreign clearing banks used to handle settlement of B shares reserved for foreigners, to

streamline its complex settlement process, bankers said. Taiwan was the world's seventh-higgest exporter of capital between 1986 and 1990, investing a net \$12.4 billion in factories and husinesses abroad, the Economies Ministry said.

Reuter, AFP, Bloomberg

### Vietnam Taps Canadian Gas Group

Agence France-Presse

HANOI — Vietnam has selected the Canadian group Liquigaz/SNC Lavalin to build a \$300 million natural-gas pipeline and liquefaction plant, the director of Vietnam Petroleum & Gas Co. said in an interview published Thursday.

Liquigaz/SNC Lavalin was selected last month, and contract oegotiations are under way, the People's Army Daily quoted the director, Truong Thien, as saying. The project aims to recover gas that is being burned off as oil is pumped from the Bach Ho oil field, 150 kilometers (95 miles) off the southern port of Vung Tao.

# Japanese Aid for U.S. Steelmakers?

save the U.S. steel industry at a time when American firms do not have the funds or ideas to do so, a senior Japanese executive said Thursday.

"The U.S. steel industry is in a devastated state," said Hiro Myazaki, managing director of international business for NKK Corp. U.S. steel firms "can survive only if they can wisely use Japanese steel-makers' technology and money," Mr. Miyazaki said in an interview.

NKK, through its subsidiary NKK U.S.A. Corp., owns 70 percent of National Steel of the United States, the fourth-largest U.S. steehnaker.

"U.S. steelmakers can survive only if they can get advanced technology and funds to renew their facili-

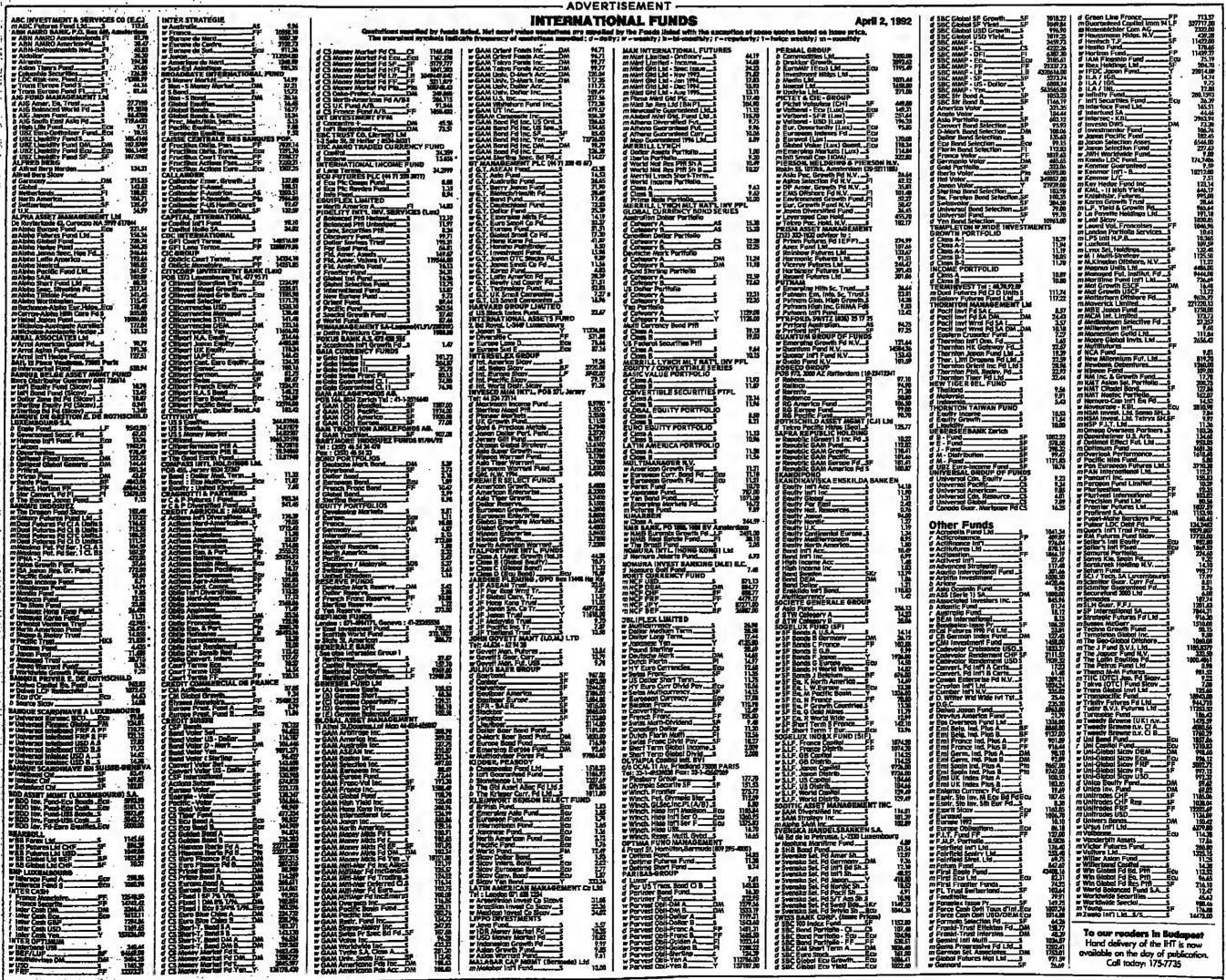
ties," Mr. Miyazaki added. "Because European steel-TOKYO — Japanese money and technology can makers are too busy coping with an emerging single wave the U.S. steel industry at a time when American market in Europe, it is only Japanese steelmakers who imus do not have the funds or ideas to do so, a senior can offer U.S. makers both of them now."

Mr. Miyazaki said NKK would pump \$1 billion into National Steel up to 1995. With rationalization of the labor force and new technology, this would enable

it to become competitive in product quality.

NKK took a 50 percent capital stake and a management role in National Steel in 1984. It introduced Japanese-style labor relations, adopting a policy of no layoffs for union workers in order to reduce worker turnover and increase the number of skilled workers. NKK expects National Steel's products, such as galvanized steel sheets for cars, to be as good as those

made by Japanese firms by 1995, he said.



# **SPORTS**

# **Lineup Tinkering** By the Mets Makes Scoreboard Sense

By Joe Sexton New York Times Service

PORT ST. LUCIE, Florida -Manager Jeff Torborg's first flip has been anything but a flop.

Torborg, who had argued long

and hard that Howard Johnson should hat third for the New York Mets and Bobby Bonilla fourth, switched their positions in the or-

der two weeks ago.

The position of the Mets on the scoreboard in the aftermath has remained almost unvaryingly the

same: on top.
"What kept me thinking of HoJo in the third spot was his speed," said Torborg. "I could see innings when neither of the top two guys would get on and where Howard might then single and steal a hase

But Johnson's struggle to hit for average in the first weeks of the spring provoked Tornorg to reorga-nize the lineup. He found Bonilla's on-base percentage appealing.
It has resuited in scoreboard lux-

ury, runs by the dozens. Johnson has driven in 22 runs in his last 12 games and has hit 3

homers this week. "His numbers to me were always those of a four or five guy," Tor-borg said of Johnson. "He's been right on everything lately. Wacko

turn to the old configuration once the season begins Monday, saying he could "quickly fool around with

He said he had a degree of con-cern that Bonilla would not thrive in the third spot. Bonilla began Wednesday having hit 212 this spring with one homer and only

four extru-base hits.
"Guys get in the third spot and they think they have to hit differently," Torborg said, "Part of why I had him behind Howard in the first place was that he'd hit cleanup in Pittshurgh for years."
One of the unanswered aspects

of the Mets' offense involves Vince Coleman's legitimacy as a leadoff man. His patience at the plate, ability with the bat and his overall onhase percentage have been erratic throughout his career. But Coleman has had as compel-

ling a spring as anyone else on the Mets. After an initial scare involving his repaired hamstring, he has run without pain — and basically without end. He has stolen 6 bases and scored 11 runs.

"He gets on hase and things happen," said Torborg. Over his first 16 games of the spring, Coleman compiled an on-

base percentage of .417. He hit .327 with four doubles and a triple. he's put the numbers up."

"What has struck me most about him?" asked Torborg. "He hits the



Batting fourth, Howard Johnson has been driving in the runs.

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If anything, Stephen R. Graubard, a professor of history at Brown University, is even more damning in "Mr. Bush's

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Herbert Mitgang is on the staff of The

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"Mr. Bush's War" is more of a psycho-

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Graubard spreads the blame to include Ronald Reagan. He calls him the

George Bush's war.

baseball harder than I thought. A that ended the Mets' exhibition lot of times, you see a flashy, sleek guy as a leadoff man, and he turns out to swing a light bat. But he can drive the baseball into those gaps. I hadn't pictured him as that type of

David Cone, trying to prime himself for the distinction of pitching on opening day in St. Louis, worked without flair Wednesday in

then he came apart," said Torborg. "He overthrew. But I didn't see anything wrong with his arm strength. Torborg said he had not yet de-cided who would he his starting third baseman, although he was leaning toward Bill Pecota. Dave Magadan's strong spring and his solid career numbers against the

season at Port St. Lucie.

miles an hour (144 kph).

Cone, who yielded a Deion

Sanders homer and six runs, was yanked after 4th innings. The right-hander threw 115 pitches but could

muster a top fastball of only 89

"His stuff was fine early on, and

opening day starter, Jose DeLeon of the Cardinals, though, were giving the manager pause. Aware that the right-handed-hitting Pecota's average had slipped steadily through the spring and that Magadan had become increasingly comfortable at third. Torborg said he was intent on finding ways to get the left-handed-hitting Ma-

gadan in the lineup with regularity. "I want to make sure Dave is a part of this thing," said Torborg. "He gives you tough at-bats."

# A Fringe Golfer Keeps Climbing the Hills By Ian Thomsen International Herald Tribane FLORENCE—"Godin, you're first up." The official said, mispronouncing the name to your with the I common to the same to the s

rhyme with the Lord's. Nick Godin leaned down toward his golf ball, and his right leg appeared to cave in slightly, just above the ankle, though you couldn't be sure. His pants were haggy. May-be you were just looking for something. In an instant he cocked and released, driving the ball long and straight. When he walked up to it, he found it had dribbled into the rough.

"It would be another thing entirely if I didn't think I had the ability," he would say

He was 3-under par, just four shots behind the leaders in the Volvo Open di Firenze. with 36 holes to be decided by nightfall. Anything is possible, that's what a golfer

mutters early on a crisp morning, walking through the fog of his own breath. Nick Godin is 30, his hair is graying, and for six years he has been trying to qualify for the European PGA Tour. It helps that his limp is far less pronounced now, and his back no longer bothers him. If only he could put the ball where be aimed it. But that's every

"We don't talk about it much," said Godin,
"but I know the accident still bothers my
father. He has nightmares. As soon as my ankle starts to bother me, or I'm having some trouble, it all comes back to him then, I think. It's one of the worst moments in his life — his worst moment, I'm sure."

Back it came last Sunday, when Reg Godin thought of his son climbing all of those hills, not once but twice —36 holes forced into one day. That's what happens when it rains all week, and you can't change the weather, can you? Though sometimes a father wishes for such powers. It was an early morning, calm and quiet, almost 29 years ago, and the three of them had set out to visit a motor race in

England.
"It was so early," Reg Godin said, "that there was absolutely nobody around, nothing. You think you have the road to yourself. And of course these were the days before you had the seat straps in the cars. We were coming up a blind hill and I can still see it clearly. I have this clear vision of this old man, he had a bag over his arm, and he was

walking, shuffling across the road."

Reg Godin swerved to miss the old man. The car slammed into a telephone pole. Their 18-month-old boy, sitting in Shirley Godin's lap in the front seat, flew head first into the windshield. Reg Godin's leg was broken and his wife had eight broken ribs and internal injuries, but their baby — Nick — he was screaming, his brow flung open. Rushing to the hospital, the parametic said it was good that the baby was screaming, that he was

injuries. As Nick grew, however, his parents noticed him limping on the outside of his right foot. The accident had destroyed one of the two growing centers in his right ankle. Bone was growing from one side of the ankle,

but not growing from the other.

Every few years, Reg Godin had to take his son to the hospital, to have the ankle surgically hroken, so that the foot could be straight-ened. When he was 13, they tried grafting bone from his hip onto the ankle. Once healed, he began to play sports again.
"I played everything," he said. "Because I had it all along, I'd fight to make do with it.

After the accident, Nick Godin's left leg grew longer than the right leg. His friends said he walked like John Wayne.

Up until I was 18 I was playing football, which I'm told now I never should have done. Everyone thought I was quick off the mark, but I couldn't run for long distances. I used to give myself a hard time for not being able to run 100 meters, but looking back on it now that was to he expected. At the time I figured,

I'm playing football, I must be all right."

He was late into his teens when he decided to become a professional golfer. When he went to see the British Open, that clinched it for him. He began to practice and play whenever be could. In the meantime, his left leg had grown more than 6.5 centimeters (2½ inches) legger than the right leg. inches) longer than the right leg. His friends said he walked like John Wayne.

Tempering his swing was not the problem. His problem was his back. Because his hips weren't level, his spine was curving to compensate. In his 20s, with years already invested in his career, his back began to argue over each full shoulder turn. He kept trying to negotiate. His back grew stubborn. It is a marvelous testament to him that in this state he was able to qualify for the European PGA, entitling him to play in all member events, in 1985. One week later, he decided to undergo the surgery.

Once more a doctor broke the right leg, but this time just below the knee, a clean break. A vise was then attached around the broken area. After a month the bone had healed to the consistency of chewing gum. At that time Godin was given permission to begin length-ening his leg.

In the meantime he lifted weights, rode, bike, trying to stay fit. He could not sleep for more than six hours. The alarm would sound at 6 A.M. and he would sit up automatical and turn the key in his leg. After approximately 50 days his right leg was about two inches longer than it had been before the surgery. The new bone was now in place, His leg was wrapped in plaster. He waited any

iously for it to heal.

His PGA playing card was about to expire.

He rushed back out to the tour, desperate to win enough money to retain his privileges for the following year. He showed up at the English Open with feverish ideas. He had to limp off the course after 13 holes.

It has been six years now, and he is still trying to play his way back onto the PGA Tour. The right leg is still shorter than the left. The ankle, hardly bending, throbs after long walks. Last year he played the Safari of Tour in Africa. In Nigeria he putted on sur-faces made of fine sand, which were swept in faces made of time sand, which were swept in between groups. He lives on a golf course his father built two years ago in Dewlands Manior, England. He hits the ball with all his might, then walks along to see what has become of it. He says he hasn't considered a different line of work.

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He has been invited to play in the Roma Masters this weekend, mainly because the purse is only £225,000 (\$385,000), and most

of the top players are in the United States preparing for the Masters. Godin anticipate receiving just four or five the European PGA tournament chances this season. He played the 36 holes last Sunday. His wife, Jackie carted his bag, but no one can walk the hills

He finished at 2-under par Sunday, in 18th place. He earned £2.820. Maybe it was his best paycheck ever, after the 36th hole is could not quite remember. It had taken him four shots to cover the last 40 meters, walking like John Wayne.

Then he emerged from the scorer's tent, and they were all there on the clubbons terrace waiting for him — Jackie and his father and his mother, holding her 7-month old granddaughter. Victoria is a beautiful child, as perfect as a father could want. Se was held out to Nick Godin, and he harged her tight while the others closed in around

# Florida Weighing 3 Mets' Rape Case

By Claire Smith New York Times Service

PORT ST. LUCIE, Florida — Rape allegations against three players for the New York Mets is in the hands of the Florida state attorney's office, which will decide whether to bring formal charges.

The file was forwarded Wednesday by the local police to David C. Morgan, the assistant state attorney overseeing the case involving the pitcher Dwight Goo-den and the outfielders Daryl Boston and Vince

A 31-year-old woman who filed the complaint a month ago said she was raped a year ago at a house rented by Gooden. The state attorney's office said it would not set a deadline for review.

GEORGE BUSH'S WAR

in the Politics of Illusion.

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Reviewed by Herbert Mitgang

A FTER some of the hurried books that glorified the political aims and military technology of the war in the

Gulf - which now seem naive in light of

the facts that have emerged from Washington and Baghdad, since the end of the hostilities — it's good to report that "George Bush's War" hy Jean Edward

Smith, a professor of political science at

the University of Toronto, is the most

intelligent history to appear thus far

about the ability of a president to promote a splendid little war.

Smith writes clearly and documents

his opinions. His book is convincing be-

cause his eye never wavers from an essen-

tial nonmilitary target: the war-making

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waiting for a declaration hy Congress.

Although the police normally make a formal recom-

MR. BUSH'S WAR: Adventures war had a silver lining: "Consciously or not, the Politics of Illusion.

clear-cut," said C. L. Reynolds, the police chief of Port St. Lucie. "In this case, it is not." The decision to hand over the case came a day after

the Port St. Lucie police had questioned the accuser to produce blood and saliva samples to the authorities. Reynolds refused to explain the significance of

While the case is being considered, the three players will be free to travel with the team as it heads north

**BOOKS** 

The author writes that when Prime

Minister Margaret Thatcher met with Bush at the Aspen Institute in Colorado on Aug. 3, 1990, she told him, "Remem-ber, George, this is no time to go wob-

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# **BRIDGE**

By Alan Truscott HE 1992 Canadian "Clavendish" L event was played February 29 and March I. The winners were Piotr Gawrys

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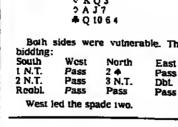


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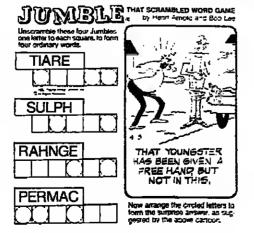




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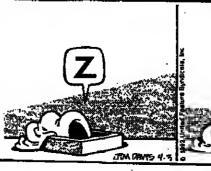
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Villanova's Coach

**Heading to UNLV** 

By Robert McG. Thomas Jr.

New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Rollie Massimino, the revered Villanova basketball coach who once timed down a \$2 million contract to coach the

New Jersey Nets, has ended his 19-year career at Villanova by taking on one of the most danning challenges in college basketbell.

- The 57-year-old Massimino accepted an offer from the University

of Nevada-Las Vegas to replace Jerry Tarkanian as head coach of one of the most successful and visibly tarnished basketball programs

Tarkanian, who had bettled the National Collegiate Athletic

Association throughout his own 19-year tenume at UNLV, departed last month, leaving behind a 509-105 record, four visits to the Final

Form, a national championship (1990) and a program under investi-gation for some 40 potential violations of NCAA rules.

This season's team was banned from postseason play as the result of an NCAA investigation dating from the mid-1970s.

Massimino, who was understood to be in the seventh year of a 10-

year contract at Villanova, signed a multiyear deal worth as much as 5700,000 a year to take over the UNLV program.

As the UNLV athletic director, Jim Weaver, a former Villanova

football exact: and a close friend of Massimino's, made clear in introducing the new coach Wednesday night, Massimino's attraction was far more than his reputation as a tough defensive specialist with a talent for motivating players and a habit of winning against the odds.

Among other things, Weaver said, Massimino "has never been scrutinized by the NCAA" and "has graduated each and every one of

the student athletes who have completed his program." That record,

Villanova officials said, will reach 62 of 62 when this season's five

Massimino, who paid tribute to Tarkanian's record, said he would

work hard to equal or surpass it, but he made it clear that a major

concern would be to see to it that his players "qualified academical-

The decision to leave Villanova was not easy, Massimino said. He

said he finally turned the corner Monday when UNLV's president,

Robert Maxson, came to his house for dinner "and said he wouldn't

freshman Aminu Timberlake. "We've seen the physical and even the bully side of him in practice, and even in games sometimes," said Mike Brey, a Duke

assistant coach. ... Many saw Laettner's stepping on Timberlake, which drew a technical foul, as a bit of gratuitous violence. What it revealed to me about Christian was that he is capable of being dumb, because we lost mo-

mentum with that," Krzyzewski

The incident with Timberlake also allowed a glimpse into the per-sonality of the dominant player on the nation's No. 1-ranked team. "It's so Lactmer," said Parks. "He's supposed to be like this all-American, this glamour boy.
"If you know Laettner, it's such

a Lactiner move to do something like that."

he did, typify an attitude seen daily in practices when he makes a steal wins a sprint, or grabs a rebound and dunks over a teammate. Call it cockiness, arrogance, nas-

timess - Laettner's unapologeticalintimidating manner permeates the squad, making Duke a bit tougher, and perhaps less admirable, than its image might suggest. Those associated with the Duke program call Laettner the most competitive person they have ever met, whether playing basketball, Ping-Pong, video games or the pi-ano. He won't quit, won't accept losing and won't let you forget it when he wins.

On the basketball court, Laettner rarely plays dirty. But he'll use any edge at his disposal in order to win. That includes feigning contact as well as dishing it out. Mostly, though, Laettner wins mply by being better.

Versatile, athletic and devoted to baskethell, Lacttner, 22, has greatly exceeded expectations. For the second straight year he leads Duke in scoring, rebounding, free-throw ac-curacy, blocked shots and steals. Laettner is quick to tell others what he thinks, often without ap-parent regard for their feelings.

"I'm very analytical of what's going on around me, and in my mind giving little grades out," Lacttrer said. "I want to make everyone better who's around me."

During a practice this week, Laettner's voice was, after Krzyzewski's, the loudest as he praised and exhorted teammates. But immediately afterward, Laettner confronted a starter about the way he has been playing defense.

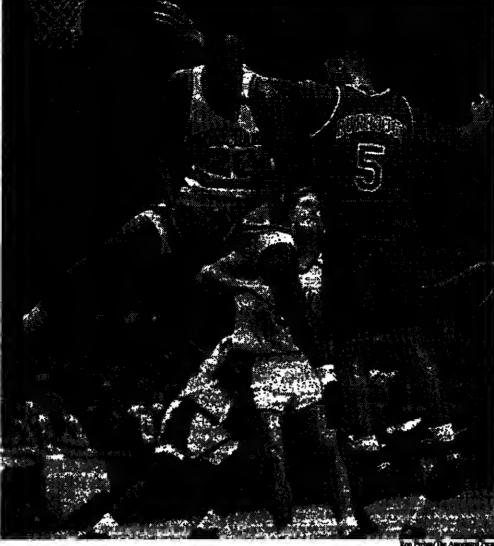
Apparently accustomed to such sessions, the player listened, then calmly and repeatedly insisted, 'T'm trying my best." Finally Laettner walked away, but not before snapping, "Try better."
"He can be critical at times, but

criticism can be positive and negative," Parks said, "He's a good captain, because he always speaks up. He will take charge.". Parks said that since a loss in late

February at Wake Forest, Lacttner has become more supportive, less likely to express displeasure in front of the entire squad.
What changed was the arrival of

postseason, which Lactmer calls "the funnest" part of the year.
Once, the challenge was to replace Danny Ferry, like Lactmer a national player of the year while at Duke, in 1989. Last season it was to defeat supposedly unbeatable Ne-

The final challenge, discussed frequently by seniors Lactiner and Brian Davis, is to repeat as national champions. That's the sort of chal-



LaPhonso Ellis got the rebound but the Fighting Irish were dealed the championship for a third time.

# Virginia Wins NIT in Overtime

NEW YORK - Notre Dame's Elmer Bennett forced overtime with a leaning 3-pointer, then Virginia's Anthony Oliver made sure it was over for the

'Coach just said, This is where we want it,' " said Oliver, who scored 6 of his 18 points in the extra session Wednesday night to lead the Cavaliers to an 81-76 victory over Notre Dame and their second National Invitation Tournament championship, "We haven't lost in overtime all year, and we weren't going to break the streak."

The Cavaliers were 3-0 in overtime during the regular season, including victories over Georgetown and

Virginia survived a career-high 39 points by Bennett, including a 3-pointer with 3.8 seconds left in regulation that tied it at 66. "I knew we needed it, and I figured it was my last year," said the senior guard, who made five 3-pointers. "So I wanted to take it."

Bryant Stith, who led Virginia with 24 points de-

spite going scoreless for the first 18 minutes of the second half, missed a 3-pointer as regulation ended. Bennett, who was II of 24 from the field, missed his first two shots in overtime and Virginia took a 69-66 lead. The Irish tied on two free throws by LaPhonso FIlis, who finished with 20 points. But Stith made three straight foul shots, and an Oliver lay-up gave the Cavaliers a 74-69 lead with 1:06 left.

a team repeated, he was 3 years old. over," said Stith, who finished his cureer as Virginia's NII's consolation game.

all-time leading scorer with 2,516 points. "My teammates know that, and they get me the ball."

Oliver added three foul shots in the final minote as Virginia denied Notre Dame its first title in its third appearance in the NIT finals. The Irish lost 83-63 to

Michigan in 1984 and 92-91 to Virginia Tech in 1973,

It was a familiar ending as well for the Notre Dame coach, John MacLeod, who finished his season last year at Madison Square Garden, MacLeod was coaching the New York Knicks, who were eliminated from playoffs at home by the Chicago Bulls.

After 18 years of coaching in the NBA, MacLeod returned to the college ranks. Notre Dame finished 18-15, including 8-9 in games against teams that advanced to the NCAA tournament.

"We had a great year, and Bennett was greatly responsible for that," said MacLeod, who coached collegiately at Oklahoma before going to the NBA. We really had a great year, no matter what anyone might say. Virginia is a great team. They really have the quickness to shot people down."

One of the people Virginia shut down was senior ice rink in the Rye Playland amuseguard Daimoo Sweet, Notre Dame's second-leading scorer. Sweet, who entered the game with a 17.2 average, went 2-for-11 and scored just 6 points, matching his season low.

Earlier Wednesday, Paul Afcaki, Byron Wilson and Jimmy Soto scored all of Utah's points in the final I6 "In crunch time, I'm the player that wants to take minutes and rallied the Utes past Florida, 81-78, in the

# NHL Playoffs Seen in Danger As Strike Holds

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches ing former players to replace those Both sides spent Day Two of the on strike. NHL's first-ever player's strike dis-

go two or three days, or we're going and call those guys to come back to go until November or Decemand be part of this league." ber," said Los Angeles Kings Wayne Bob Buner, a fan of the Pittsscorer. The players are sticking rallied the owners around each other and made them stronger.

profit of \$24 million for the owners. on strike, they have never walked "Half the teams in the league out so soon before the postsesson.

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their last demands." work television contract in the a players association."

"We wouldn't stop them if that's cussing their futures with everyone what they would like to do," he but each other. No formal negotia-tions were planned for Thursday, that the owners who are being sued The playoffs, scheduled to begin on by a lot of the old ex-NHL players, Wednesday, are in grave danger. Gordie Howe, Bobby Orr and Bob-"My opinion is it's either going to by Hull, would pick up the phone

Gretzky, the league's alltime leading burgh Penguins, said: "I have four tickets for the playoffs. Cost me pretty strong in this situation. The \$2,200. Rest assured I am not going other side of it is, this vote has to pay to see substitutes.

"Let me put it this way," Buner added. "I've been going since 1961. The players voted 560 to 4 This league has the worst leader-Wednesday to reject the owners of ship of any sport. One step above fer. At issue is the economic state of the World Wrestling Federation."

the game. The owners, who made \$125 million over the previous three years, say they will lose \$9 million with them, especially since salaries have escalated. Though U.S. base-The Players Association predicts a ball and football players have gone

"I don't think they will feel sorry can t amord the proposal on the 1 don't mink they will feel sorry table right oow," said the president for players who are making an averof the Quebec Nordiques, Marcel age salary of about \$350,000 a year,"
Aubut. "They bave to believe our said Mike Gartner of the New York oumbers. It is possible that we have Rangers, a member of the union's teams going under within 12 negotiating committee. "What we months just by our offer, oot with are trying to do is say to the people their last demands." The owners face a credibility issues that are on the table that are problem. The NHL, unable to po- extremely important for our players lice its violence or oegotiate a net- association and for us to continue as

United States, is perceived as lack-ing the progressive management of sides cannot agree on how best to the major professional football, split the playoff revenue, which ac-baseball and basketball leagues. counts for up to 105 games, gross-Lurking in the background is legal ing close to \$100 million. The playaction sought by retired players, offs allow many teams to make who claim that their pension fund their annual profit, while the playhas been mismanaged by the NHL. ers receive virtually no additional Gretzky discounted reports that income outside of winning-team the owners have considered invit-boouses. (AFP, NYT, AP, UPI)

# Who Loses the Most? Go Ask the Rangers

By Dave Anderson New York Times Service

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Inside, the stillness was even card money. spookier. The ice was empty. So was the future of the National week before the Stanley Cup playoffs are scheduled to start, the first players' strike in NHL history was about to begin.

"I'm not saying we're a team that can't be stopped," the goaltender and player rep John Vanbiesbrouck was saying, "but right now we've got the most to lose."

Vantage Point

sive prize for one of sports' most

Not since 1940 have the Rangers
won the gleaming silver tropby disinformal workouts by themselves. played here in a framed poster in the office of the general manager, Neil Smith, with the words "the ultimate goal" under it.

locker, "has turned into a night-In other sports, strikes have oc-

World Series and the Super Bowl But if this hockey strike cancels the playoffs, the Rangers will re-

member 1992 as the empty year when the NHL's best team did not even have an opportunity to win the Stanley Cup. In other years, the approach of

tration of the Rangers' franchise and fans. Bot this year the playoffs represented fulfillment. We feel for the fans because

one time or another in their lives. I think they understand what we're RYE New York - Outside the doing and why we have to do it." What the NHL players are doing ment park where the Rangers prac- is finally taking a stand against

tice, the stillness was spooky. The club owners who have a history of ferris wheel was not turning. The keeping more than their fair share roller coaster was not rumbling, the of the profits and now want to grab the players' \$10 million in trading-The licensing issue involves

more than dollars and cents," Van-Hockey League's best team. Only a biesbrouck said. "That money has been the lifeblood of our Players Association. It's more than trying to attack what we have. It's trying to take it away."
Even though the Rangers have

the most to lose as the team with the best overall record (49-23-5 for 103 points), the team supported the strike vote that Vanbiesbroock took before Wednesday's final practice with Coach Roger Neilson

Now there's another question: If the playoffs occur, will the same

Ranger team appear?
"If the strike lasts more than a couple days," the defeoseman

James Patrick said, "who knows what it will take off this team."

The rink here is a public facility, so we're going to buy the ice for the same two-hour time periods that the Rangers had rented it." Vanbiesbrouck said. "It costs \$195 an hour; that's about \$8 a man. As for who'll be in charge, we have enough capable veteran players for

Mark Messier is the likely leader

But for the Rangers, the possible loss in this strike is not the \$25,000 the playoffs merely fueled the frus- in playoff bonus money each might earn. It is the possible loss of an opportunity to win the Stanley

den to root for us, I'm sure they've best hockey yet. I think we can been involved in a labor dispute at raise the level."

# SIDELINES

seniors graduate in June,

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### New Zealand and Ville de Paris Win To Gain Tie With II Moro di Venezia

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The yachts New Zealand and Ville de Paris won America's Cup challenger trials semifinal matches and moved into a three-way tie with Italy's Il Moro di Venezia. The three boats have 2-1 records. Japan's Nippon, which came into the series having won seven straight races, is 0-3.

Sailing in winds that gusted over 20 knots off Point Lome on Wednes-

day, the Kiwis downed the Italians by 18 seconds in their first meeting of . the semifinals. New Zealand's time was 2 hours, 18 minutes, 17 seconds. Despite several broken mainsail battens and a torn headsail, the Italian never trailed by more than 26 seconds.

Ville de Paris won after Nippon, leading the French boat by 58 seconds, snapped its forward rudder on the fifth leg of the eight-leg course. Ville de Paris only had to finish the course to collect the victory.

In the defender series, Bill Koch's Kanza, steered by Buddy Melges, we would be seried first area by 1-12 Koch and a the held of his leading the leading th won its first race by 1:13. Koch was at the helm of his losing yacht, America3, in the intramural match.

# Tyson Volunteers for Prison Work

INDIANAPOLIS (Reuters) — Mike Tyson, fighting boredom after a week in prison for a rape conviction; has joined a work detail mopping bloors and washing dishes, officials said Thursday.

He asked for the duties because "it helps pass the time," a prison spokesman said. Tyson, 25, is being held for now at a processing center in Plainfield, near Indianapolis. The spokesman said Tyson would probably be there for two to five weeks before being sent to another state prison. Tyson helped clean up a recreation room on Wednesday night, emptying ash trays and straightening up, the spokesman said.

### For the Record

The start of the 1992 Tour de France bicycle race in Spain's Basque country July 4 could be disrupted because of the recent arrests of separatist leaders, a European deputy representing the Basques warned

A fire destroyed a harn at Mohawk Racetrack in Campbellville, Ontario, early Thursday, killing 79 of Canada's top harness racing horses. (AP)

Jaan Gomez, 37, the former Spanish soccer international known as

Juanito, was killed in a car accident early Thursday near Madrid. He was (Reuters)

capped 35 times for Spain in the 1970s and '80s. (Reuters)
The Olympic basketball team of the Commonwealth of Independent
States will play a four-game series against the United States Basketball League in May, league officials announced.

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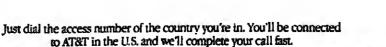
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we're fans, 100," Vanbiesbrouck said. "But the majority of people who come to Madison Square Gar-

season or around midseason. The even though the Ranger captain World Series and the Super Bowl and four teammates were oot able to return in time for Wednesday's practice from Hilton Head, South Carolina, on the team's spring break during four empty days in the schedule. The five absentees cast their votes by telephone.

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> "A team like this doesn't come
> " mid Mark Haralong every year," said Mark Hardy, the leathery defenseman. "I don't think we've even played our

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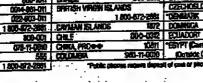










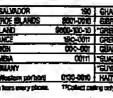




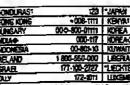










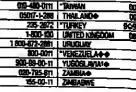












# Post-Oscar Tristesse

By Russell Baker

EW YORK — I saw 42 mov-ies in 1991, only eight of them in movie theaters. The others were seen at home, where Americans see most movies these days. We'll lament this sadness another day. To-day we deal with post-Oscar tris-

That's the remorse experienced when, having sat up all night watching the Academy Awards, people wake next morning realizing they hadn't seen half the movies in the competition, hadn't heard of most of the actors, can't remember who woo a single Oscar last year. and don't give a hoot who won last

To counteract this letdown 1 review my own moviegoing year and pass judgment on movies I have at least taken the trouble to watch. And so, from my 1991 list 1 imme-diately strike off three on grounds of unforgivable silliness.

Silliest of all was "Green Card." which rested on the outty proposition that being deported to Paris is a tragedy. Then "Henry and June." based on the lives of the writers Henry Miller and Anais Nin. This was about people already in Paris and made it amply clear why any healthy American boy would give his Eagle badges to get deported

However, the scene in which Anals and Henry bring their manuscripts together in a garret and proceed to analyze each other's literary style - well, folks, if you've ever written anything more pretentious than a plea for Dad to send money you know this scene must have been sneaked in by the ghost of S. J. Perelman. When Mimi visits Rodolfo's garret does Puccini make them sing a duet about the splendor of his participles and the glory

of her gerunds?
"Cape Fear" had that silly ending up with which f am getting tired of having to put. This is the killing of a human monster who won't stay dead, Glenn Close recently played it in "Fatal Attraction." Robert De idiro does it again in "Cape Fear." Hollywood should save it for "The Death of Rasputin."

Year's most annoying movie: "Doc Hollywood." Aside from being silly all over it was based on that patronizing Southern California idea that while small-town good fun. Southerners may look at first

deep down underneath, the salt of

Hear this, kid script writers of Los Angeles: Small-town Southerners are just like small-town people everywhere; to wit, reasonably civilized, but watch your wallet. Worst movie of the year: "Home

Alone." My records also list something called "Mortal Thoughts," after which appears the entry "Stinker," a word last applied in these files to "Dr. Fisher of Vienna" in April 1987. I remember nothing about either film.

Movies that might have been better if they hadn't been oversold by reviewers, friends or relatives: detropolitan," "The Crays." Movies that may have been terrif-

ic only because I discovered them all by myself: "Mr. and Mrs. Bridge," "Soapdish," "Impromptu," "Mama. There's a Man in Your Bed."

Best Christmas movie since George C. Scott played Scrooge on CBS, even though a close relative insisted I'd love it: Jean Shepherd's

Of the 42 movies judged, eight were films I'd seen before. They were "Moonstruck," "Hairspray," "Bolero," "Kind Hearts and Coronets," "Lawrence of Arabia," "Top Hat," "The Adventures of Robin Hood" (Errol Flynn) and "The Prisoner of Zenda" with Ronald

Except for "Bolero" and "Top Hat," all were worthy of Best of the Year Award. ("Bolero" is strictly for us George Raft fanatics and, despite Fred Astaire, "Top Har" is just lovely fluff.) "Moonstruck" would have won (even though I'd crowned it when it was first released) if good luck hadn't guided me to Ronald Colman's "Zenda" at the video-rental den.

It is superh. Raymond Massey as socering "Black Michael." Douglas Fairbanks Jr. as the most dashing Rupert of Hentzau ever to dash in Ruritania. Two stunning beauties in peril; blonde Madeleine Carroll, brunette Mary Astor. C. Aubrey Smith doing his famous C. Auhrey Smith number. And two - not one, but two - Ronald Colmans!

Castles with moats, swordplay, kidnapping. Makes you ashamed we now think "Terminator 2" is

New York Times Service

# Tori Amos Goes Home, a Bimbo No More

By Richard Harrington

N EW YORK — When Tori Amos flew to New York from London recently to showcase songs from her "Little Earthquakes" album for an industry and media crowd, she included an a cappella song, "Me and a Gun." Sitting cross-legged on a piano bench, staring straight into that jury, Amos expressed with nearly emotionless but harrowing detail the jumbled thoughts of a young woman being raped in the back of a Cadillac Seville.

"I sang 'Holy Holy' as he outtoned down his pants .... When there's a man on your oack and you're pushed flat on your stomach it's not a classic Cadillac . . . Me and a gun and a man on my back but I haven't seen Barbados so I must get out of this."

Things got so uncomfortably quiet you could have heard a pen drop. And perhaps a few jaws too, among those who might have remembered Amos from four years ago, when she served up a disastrous debot album, "Y Kant Tori Read." Its cover featured her with teased hair, leather duds and a push-up bra, holding a sword behind her head — Tori as Heavy Metal Babe!

The new, improved Tori Amos is a frail, henna-haired, porcelain-skin beauty who seems to have stepped out of a Botticelli painting. After a year in England, she was coming home with a clean state, a new record, sterling reviews, the impassioned backing of her record company and a foot ready to jam in the career door slammed shut a few years

At 28, the Tori Amos coming home to Potomac, Mary-land, where her father is pastor at the United Methodist Church, is already more than two decades into a quest that started when she was a piano prodigy (at 5, she was the youngest student ever accepted at the Peabody Conserva-

tory).

After a number of stylistic diversions and changes of address - she lived in Los Angeles for seven years before the London move — Amos seems to have found herself.

"Little Earthquakes" showcases a gifted singer, songwriter
and pianist with a penchant for spare, beautifully crafted. soul-baring songs in the tradition of Kate Bush, Laura Nyro and Elton John. In songs like "Silent All These Years," "Winter" and "Me and a Gun," she exorcises lovers and other authority figures and digs into familial plots rich in spiritual and sexual conflicts.

Not surprisingly. Amos displays a knack for melody that hints at both classical and pop maderpinnings, and a tainted angel's voice that wouldn't be out of place in a confessional, fn England, Amos's emotional nakedness has stopped people in her tracks — "Little Earthquakes" opened in the Top 20, selling 100,000 copies.

"We're stretching boundaries with ber," says Doug Morris, CEO of Atlantic Records. "These songs are very provocative. She's on her journey.'

ft was Morris who weathered Amos's disastrous, formulaie debut album and who encouraged her to be as intense and personal as she needed to be in her future songwriting. Still, Morris admits, "I was shocked when I heard 'Little Earthquakes' because it was such a departure."

Morris sensed it might be difficult to promote and market the alhum because it was so eclectic. How then to get people to hear what Amos had to say in a huge country with a fragmented music scene, rigid radio formats and perhaps, memories of her ill-fated first album?

American eccentric, who writes confessional songs undercut with a species of shock tactics that seem reassuringly British in inspiration," according to Q magazine. London also put some distance between the future and

Amos's Los Angeles past, which included an album of dance tracks recorded with Narada Michael Walden (never released) and work in hotel lounges ("paying the rent, playing something for the martini drinkers to make deals

There also was a band — it included drummer Matt Sorum, now with Guns N' Roses — but, says Amos, "it didn't make a whole lot of appearances. We spent most of our time making demo tapes."

"Billboard called me a bimbo," Amos recalls in her soft but intense voice. "They didn't mean to be mean about it. They were actually quite accurate. That's the look I was sporting in those days and I was in better shape — f was pumping then. There was a part of me that really wanted to be a rock chick and I failed at it.

"And that's a hit hard, to go from prodigy to bimbo though it saved me a lot of hair-spray bills. But I had to crack before I was willing to strip. I could not have written
"Little Earthquakes" without skinning my knees."
"Little Earthquakes" is very much a coming-of-age

album. The first American single is "Silent All These Years." where longtime passivity in a relationship comes to an end in a cascade of sly and supple lyrics ("so you found a girl who thinks really deep thoughts / what's so amazing about really deep thoughts / boy you best pray that I bleed real soon / how's that thought for

Ed Amos, who seems to be his daughter's biggest fan, says "Silent" is "about the structure of a culture that has misted your soul to where you are not who you should be. There's no ephemeral writing from Toni, it's all out of experience or meaning. As a philosopher and theologian, I think there's a lot of great wisdom about life in her songs."

There is also an undercurrent of spiritual confusion and conflict coursing through the album, including the strug-gle with authority of "Crucify" ("Tm looking for a savior in these dirty streets looking for a savior beneath these dirty sheets"). The spiritual and the physical circle each

other throughout "Little Earthquakes."

"They have to get equal time," says Amos. "Once I wouldn't talk about these things, but now I'm giving no quarter. But I'm not into hlame. I had Victorian parents, but loving and supportive; they have their beliefs and they happen to be a bit different from mine and it's O. K." Then there's "Me and a Gun," the truly harrowing song

about rape based on a Los Angeles experience that Amos had blocked out for many years. After a show at a hotel lounge, she agreed to drop off someone who'd been a regular customer and he attacked her — though Amos was able to escape before a rape occurred. She discussed the incident with her mother - who flew out to comfort her but never talked about it again

Then, while playing a London suburb, Amos killed some time by going to see "Theima & Louise," and the film triggered the memory. Riding the subway to the show, Amos wrote "Me and a Gun" in her head, performing it that night a cappella. It has stayed that way.

"I don't talk about the details because I can't, but it's freeing to sing that song," says Amos. "I have to go in a trance to sing it. It gets exhausting singing it. But there's so much going on that nobody talks about, and I just found that out with myself after so many years of not talking."

### **PEOPLE**

As a 'Hoax' and 'Smear'

Valenti Assails 'JFK'

Jack Valenti, president and chief executive of the Motion Picture Association of America and an aide to former President Lyndon B. Johnson, denounced the film "JFK" as a "hoax," a "smear" and "pure fiction" comparable with the Nazi propaganda films of Leni Reifen-stahl. Valenti has kept silent until now about the Oliver Stone film, which opened in December. He emphasized that be was making a personal statement. "Indeed, waited to speak out because didn't want to do anything which might affect this picture's theatrical release or the Oscar balloting," he said. The movie implies that Johnson was part of a government conspiracy in the assassination of Ken-nedy. "I owe where I am today to Lyndon Johnson," Valenti said. "I could not live with myself if I stood by mutely and let some filmmaker soil his memory." Stone told The New York Times, "I hope that Mr. Valenti, now that he has vented his spleen, will join in supporting the joint House-Senate resolution that all government files in the assassi-nation of President Kennedy be opened so that the American people can have a fuller understanding of that tragedy and its continuing implications for our democracy.

Paris's Opéra Bastille, conceived as an opéra populaire, is about to be really popular. The theater, swamped by requests for tickets to Laciano Pavarotti's five perfor-mances in Ginseppe Verdi's "A Masked Ball," is to beam the tenor's Monday performance to a non-paying public on a giant screen outside the opera house.

Listeners on National Public Radio's "Talk of the Nation" program heard Richard Nixon announce his candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination. Some listeners got quite excited until they realized it was an April Fool's Day joke. The impersonator was Rich Little. Not a joke, however, are plans for Spiro Agnew to join other former vice presidents, in marble. Agnew. who resigned from the Nixon administration in 1973 after pleading oo contest to tax evasion charges, had been the only vice president without a marble bust in the Capitol. A sculptor will start work on an Agnew bust soon at a cost of between \$35,000 and \$50,000.

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entire country. Since Tori could really captivate people, she

could work in small clubs, people would create a buzz and

her New York performance. "Even though I'd written the

record. I was emotionally drained after living in Los

Angeles for so long, I needed a new perspective on things,

new sights, new sounds. And I needed to get that thing in

The record company arranged for a West London flat

five minutes from its offices - and close enough to ferry

critics there for private performances. The music press

there has a lot of power," says Amos. "They can see something in London and in a couple of days everybody in

And embrace Amos they did, painting her as "an

your belly that says 'I want to play now.

the country knows about it."

"f needed a change," Amos admitted a few hours before

she would have a better chance of being accepted."

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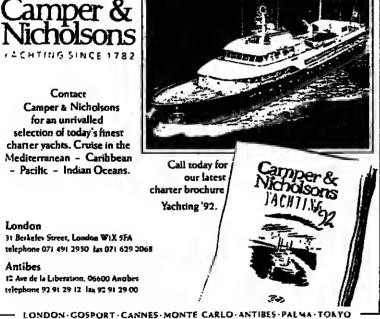
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